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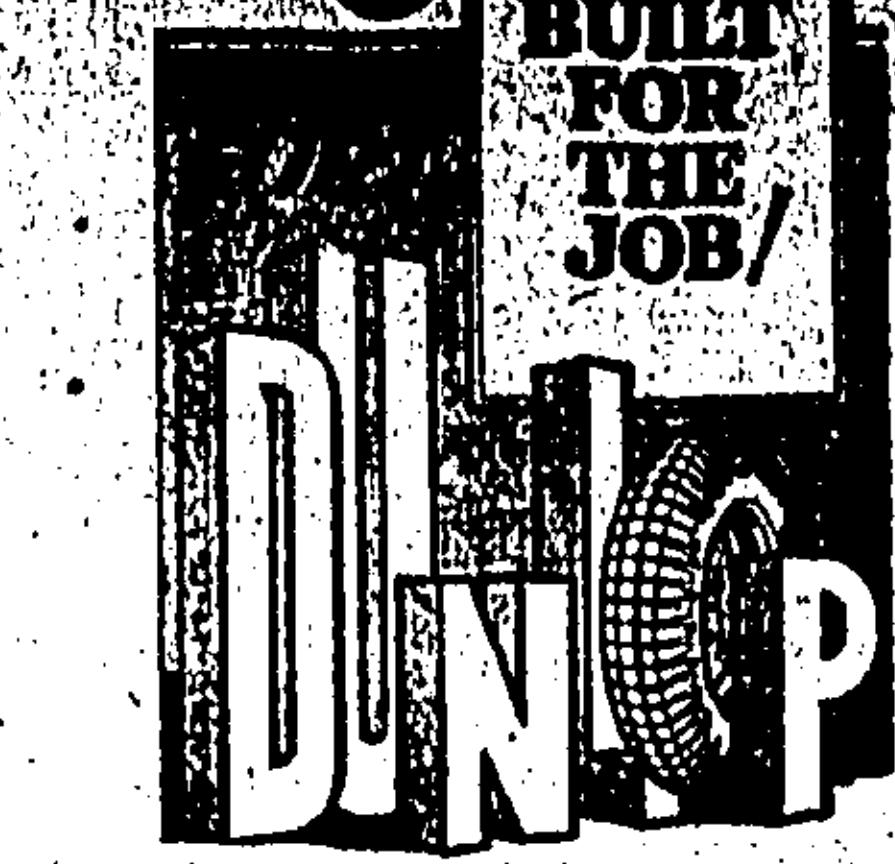
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BIG INCREASES IN CHINA'S TARIFF SCHEDULE.

DETAILS AT LAST ANNOUNCED.

MANY DUTIES MORE THAN DOUBLED.

SILVER EXEMPTED.

Nanking, Dec. 30. China's new tariff schedule, which has been awaited with much interest, was promulgated this morning. It shows no duties higher than fifty per cent., this rate applying to wines, tobacco, spirits, liqueurs, table waters and certain classes of silk goods.

Among the goods exempted from duty are books, papers, cereals, flour, and gold and silver bullion. The duty on arms and ammunition has been increased from 22½ to forty per cent.

Other increases include:

Chinaware. Rise.

Chinaware, from seven and a half to forty per cent.

Carpets, from 17½ to forty per cent.

Motor-cars, from 22½ to thirty per cent.

Motor-trucks, from 12½ to fifteen per cent.

Chocolate, coco and coffee, from seventeen and a half to thirty per cent.

Cotton clothing and haberdashery, from twelve and a half to twenty-five per cent.

Dyes, from 17½ to 25 per cent.

Toilet soap, from ten to thirty per cent.

Matches.

Matches, from 7½ to forty per cent.

Telegraph, telephone and radio equipment, remains the same at 12½ per cent.

Railway material and locomotives have been reduced from ten to five per cent. in accordance with the promise made to the Ministry of Railways.

The duty on cotton piece-goods will rise from seven and a half to twelve and a half per cent.

It is reported that rapid increases in the importations of foreign goods have taken place recently in view of the prospect of the Nanking Government enforcing the new tariff soon.

Date Not Disclosed.

The date of the enforcement of the schedule has not yet been promulgated.—Reuter.

Losses on Likin.

Nanking, Dec. 24.

In the course of a telegram to the Provincial Governments detailing the losses which the National Treasury will suffer as the result of the abolition of likin and levies of a similar nature throughout the country on January 1st, Mr. T. V. Soong, the Minister of Finance, says the main part of the loss on likin, amounting to over \$80,000,000, will fall on the National Government.

The abolition of levies of a similar nature, namely, Native Customs duties amounting to \$7,750,000; coast trade half-duty yielding \$5,400,000; transit dues \$3,600,000; railway goods tax \$1,640,000; and parcel post tax \$1,070,000; making a further total of \$19,360,000 annually falls entirely on the National Treasury.

Filling the Gap.

New taxes which will conform to sound canons of taxation are being instituted to fill the gap in revenue created by these losses, but these taxes take time to develop and are not expected to compensate for the losses even when fully organized.

The provinces are requested to follow the example of the National Government and make such temporary sacrifices as may be necessary in order that this major impediment to the welfare and prosperity of the people be finally overcome.

\$100 fine or two months imprisonment was imposed by Mr. Bullock on Magistrate today, on a Chinese charged with preparing opium at 99, Woosung Street.

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U.S. STEEL MERGER BATTLE.

COURT ON INADEQUACY OF INFORMATION.

SHARE RATIO ATTACK.

Youngstown, O., Dec. 29. The Courts have granted an injunction against the merger of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation and the Youngstown Steel Sheet and Tube Company, which represented an amalgamation of capital totalling over \$300,000,000.

The decision was the sequel to a bitter legal struggle lasting for six months, instigated by the opponents of the merger.

The Court decided that the directors of the Youngstown Steel Sheet and Tube Company did not give their shareholders and stockholders adequate information when asking them for their approval of the merger.

The judgment also contains an attack on the ratio of the share exchange agreed (whereby Youngstown stockholders were to receive one and a third Bethlehem shares for each Youngstown share) on the ground that no definite conclusion was possible that the ratio was adequate.

The Youngstown Steel and Tube Company was one of the last independent steel companies in the United States. Its shareholders approved the merger with the Bethlehem Steel Corporation last April, after one of the most spectacular financial fights of recent years in Ohio.—Reuter, American Service.

CANTON MASONIC CLUB.

ENJOYABLE FUNCTION HELD ON SATURDAY.

Canton, Dec. 29.

A most enjoyable function was held at the Canton Masonic Club, Shameen, on Saturday, at the conclusion of which the President's wife, Mrs. H. W. Hewett, presented the prizes for the various competitions held during the current season. The recipients were as follows:

Ping-pong Handicap (Ladies).—1st, Mrs. P. Youngusband; 2nd, Mrs. C. E. Watson.

Ping-pong Handicap (Men).—1st, V. E. Ferrier; 2nd, P. Youngusband.

Snooker Handicap.—1st, W. R. Farmer; 2nd, H. Watling.

Anagram Competition.—1st, R. T. O. Lammert; 2nd, Mrs. R. T. O. Lammert; 3rd, Mrs. Watling.

In a few well-chosen phrases, the President, Mr. H. W. Hewett, thanked the Secretary, Mr. W. R. Farmer, for his excellent administrative work during the past year to which the Club owed so much, the various Committees for arranging the different tournaments, etc., and the ladies for their help in catering, decorating, etc. Mr. W. R. Farmer suitably replied and called for three cheers for Mrs. H. W. Hewett, which were heartily given.—Our Own Correspondent.

NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE.

TO BE CONVENED IN CHINA NEXT YEAR.

Nanking, Dec. 29.

It is learned that the National Government Council has adopted regulations regarding the election of delegates to the National People's Conference, which, it is believed, will be convened next year.

There will be about 450 delegates, who will be nominated by public bodies designated by the Central Government.—Reuter.

THE TRANS-ATLANTIC TELEPHONE.

SERVICE EXTENDED AS FROM NEW YEAR.

London, Dec. 29.

The Postmaster General announced that from January 1st calls will be accepted in the trans-Atlantic telephone service for all parts of Canada and Mexico, instead of the principal towns only, and will thus be available to the whole of the North American Continent, including Cuba, British West-

THE ARSON TRIAL HEARING.

CROSS-EXAMINATION OF WITNESS.

MR. JENKIN HINTS REASON FOR EVIDENCE.

SALE OF SMALL BOAT.

A witness who outlined a conversation in which first accused enquired about insurance regulations and the penalties for arson in Hongkong was cross-examined at some length by Mr. F. C. Jenkin at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when the trial of three men charged with attempted arson was resumed.

Ling Yuk-shu, who gave his address as No. 106, Belcher Street, ground floor, said that on August 25 or 26 he had a conversation with first accused and suggested a settlement with regard to a boat, belonging to a Canton official, seized by the accused.

During that conversation, he was asked as to the rules and regulations of insurance companies in Hongkong, and if the commission of arson in Hongkong was a very serious crime. He replied that it would mean ten years' imprisonment.

VOLUNTARY WITNESS.

Witness said he had come forward as a voluntary witness, and in answer to a question, added that accused owed him money.

Cross-examined by Mr. Jenkin, witness said that the money owing was the balance of purchase money for the boat.

He was not acting as mediator for the Canton official, but was representing the purchaser of the boat, So Kim, of Yaumati.

He did not know that the boat was seized by an order of the Hongkong Court in an Admiralty action, and he did not know the boat was formerly named Chi Yau. Later, witness admitted he knew the boat was called Chi Yau Lam, it being explained that that meant vessel and was not really necessary.

AGREEMENT OF SALE.

Answering further questions, witness said he did not know that the boat belonged to first accused before it was obtained by the Canton Authorities. He had never heard of the Shiu Lei Steamship Company. Witness said, as far as he knew, an agreement was entered into for the sale of the ship to first accused at an agreed figure of \$7,500 in cash and a promissory note for \$2,250, both sums representing the purchase price.

He agreed that the smaller sum was not mentioned as part of the purchase price because the money was considered as compensation paid to the seller because he was not the sole owner of the boat.

COMPENSATION.

Mr. Jenkin.—Compensation is quite a happy term. You were to share in that compensation were you not?—I haven't....

No, you have not got it, which may account for your being in the witness box, as I will put to you presently, but you were to get a share of that \$2,250?—No, I was not to get any of this money.

Do you suggest you did all you did in this matter for love?—Not for love but for the sake of money. First accused promised to pay me \$500 if this was put through.

Do you say that the \$500 was paid to and parcel of the promissory note for \$2,250?—It was entirely outside that.

Interest in Case.

Telling of how he came into the case, witness stated that he sued first accused but as he could not be found the writ was not served. When he read of the fire he went to the Police Station and offered to help catch him and his third son because of the money owing in connection with the boat transaction. The seller blamed him (witness) for first accused's default.

He said that the association of ideas of insurance and arson did not strike him as sinister. He treated it as casual talk between friends and it was not until Inspector Reynolds asked him for a full statement, including any conversations with first accused that he remembered it.

The case is proceeding.

MARSHAL JOFFRE DYING.

REMARKABLE SCENES AT NURSING HOME.

IN STATE OF COMA.

Paris, Dec. 29. Parisians witnessed outside the nursing home where Marshal Joffre, to whom, it is now disclosed, the last sacraments were administered on Boxing Day, is lying at the point of death.

He has, it is officially stated, relapsed into unconsciousness after



an amazing display of vitality, especially for a man of 78 years of age, following the amputation of a gangrenous foot.

The crowds in the street grew all day long, chatting in hushed tones, while motor-cars, seemingly without end, stopped at the door, bearing distinguished visitors.

HON. MRS. BRUCE IN ACCIDENT.

LANDING GEAR OF MACHINE SMASHED.

SUFFERS HAND BURNS.

Bedford, Oregon, Dec. 22. Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce, the noted British aviatrist, while landing here to-day broke the landing gear of the aeroplane in which she is flying in easy stages from Seattle, Washington, to New York.

As the plane nosed over, Mrs. Bruce burned her hand in flames which were quickly extinguished by airport attaches.

It will be at least three days before Mrs. Bruce can resume her flight.

Mrs. Bruce travelled to the United States from Japan by steamer. After reaching New York she will fly to South America.

From South America Mrs. Bruce plans to sail by steamer to Africa and from there resume her flight to England.

NO STEAM UP.

Neither of the cable ships, both of which belong to the Great Northern Telegraph Co. of Denmark, had steam up. They were lying at their customary moorings, where they await the call to "cut out" and repair ocean cables. There was therefore little that could be done to avoid being damaged by a ship on the rampage.

Nevertheless, those on board the Pacific, lying down stream from the Store Nordiske, saw that the Store would be hit and might possibly drift down on the Pacific.

The hands were hurriedly summoned and the forward moorings slipped so that the ship would be swung out and stand a chance of avoiding damage. This is exactly what happened, the Pacific finally going aground and also blocking, though to a limited extent, the Pootung ship channel.

JARDINE STEAMER FIRED ON.

WHILE ASHORE IN CANTON RIVER.

Among the reports by masters of ships about the accident was one concerning an incident on the Canton River on Boxing Day.

Capt. R. Kettlewell, of the Chusan, reported that he left Canton for Hongkong on December 26, and at about 9.15 p.m., he passed the Jardine steamer Cheongshing, which asked him to report to the Commodore in Hongkong that the Cheongshing was fired on from the bank whilst she was ashore at the Taikok Barril on the Canton River.

Nothing was mentioned about the incident on the report of the Cheongshing (Capt. Burleigh), which arrived here yesterday morning from Canton and sailed for Tientsin via Swatow at 7 a.m. today.

THREE STEAMERS AGROUND.

EXCITING TIMES IN SHANGHAI.

SIX VESSELS INVOLVED IN MISHAPS.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE.

Shanghai, Dec. 24. Shanghai lying at buoys in the vicinity of the Italian cruiser Libia yesterday morning got into a queer tangle, when ship broke adrift, hit other ships and went aground, damage roughly estimated at £10, 20,000 being done. The ship channel on the Pootung side was blocked for three hours from 10 a.m. that the affair occurred.

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FRAUD ON REVENUE DEPARTMENT?

ALLEGED SECRET CONSIGNMENT OF SPIRITS.

That the labels issued by the Revenue Department in respect of previous consignment of Chinese wines were peeled off the original jars and again used for the purpose of masking a secret consignment of dutiable liquor, was the substance of the case against the licensee of the Mow Yuen native wine shop, of No. 12, Gillies Avenue, Kok Un Kel, which came before Mr. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon. The defendant denied the offence.

The accused was charged with that on December 16, he had in his possession, custody or control, 59 jars containing 236 gallons of Chinese spirits, found on a sampan at the Praya West, accompanied by a pass purporting to cover the delivery of the confinement from his establishment to the Hang Yue Yuen, of No. 367, Queen's Road West.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo defended. Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, appeared for the prosecution.

Boat Intercepted.

In substantiation of an opening statement made by the Superintendent, Revenue Officer Ward deposed that on December 15, he was on patrol in a Department motor-boat at the western entrance of the harbour. When half-way between Green Island and Tsing I Island, he noticed a small fishing junk heading in. He closed in and boarded the craft.

A man, wrapped in a blanket, got up, at his appearance, and on being questioned with regard to 59 jars of wine being carried on the craft, handed witness a pass which bore the initials of Revenue Officer Trengove. Checking the numbers on the labels and on the pass, witness ascertained they corresponded with figures he carried.

He satisfied himself that the labels were those issued to the Tin Wo Distillery, of Castle Peak, although they were in a very bad condition—dirty and torn. Owing to previous instructions, he was not satisfied with their condition. Leaving the boat, he watched it tacking into the harbour while he waited outside Tsing I on the lookout for other craft coming in from Macao or Cheungchau.

He picked up the boat again when it had gone into the harbour. Later, the same morning, he saw the same jars in the Revenue Office, the man in charge being the same individual who had previously handed him R. O. Trengove's pass. Conditions of Labels.

Examined by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, witness said that it was not in consequence of any information that he boarded that particular junk. The condition of the labels was all about the same, though the numbers were not all intact. What he did was to check one or two numbers he could see at the moment, and he ascertained that they corresponded with his list.

The jars kept on board in two stacks—the hold being too small to contain them all. They were all covered up. The junk appeared to have come from the direction of Tsing I Island. He did not arrest the man on board then, he wanted to see what direction the boat would take after the incident. Revenue Officer Trengove, in charge of the New Territories Distilleries, explained the circumstances under which he issued the labels and pass. On December 19, he told the Court, he visited the Tin Wo Distillery at Castle Peak, afterwards seeing to the bottling of 59 jars of shengyang; against which he issued 59 green labels with the accompanying covering pass. Before the spirits were poured into the jars, he had it divided into three big kongs or vats, from which he took samples and tested their respective strengths which were 21, 24 and 25.

Distillery Routine. He handed the samples the following day to Mr. H. A. Taylor. The 59 jars were sealed and labelled in his presence, he also entering the numbers in the green pass and also in a book he kept for the purposes of record. Five days afterwards, he was shown 59 jars

EUROPEAN SUMMONED AT KOWLOON.

DANGEROUS DRIVING IN CHATHAM ROAD.

A summons for having driven a private car No. 1920 in a dangerous manner in Chatham Road on December 17, was preferred against Mr. V. Du Bus de Waraffe, of No. 9, Peak Mansions, before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy, yesterday afternoon. The defendant denied the offence.

Traffic Sergeant F. J. Clarke said that about 4.30 p.m. on December 17 he was on motor cycle patrol in Chatham Road to wards Tsim Sha Tsui. When near Mody Road he saw a Kai Tak bus, No. 691, coming from the opposite direction. Private car No. 1920 was following it and tried to pass the bus. As soon as witness and the bus passed one another the private car overtook the bus, cutting in between it and another bus, No. 693, coming in the opposite direction. Both vehicles had to swerve to their respective left sides to avoid a collision with the car.

The driver of bus No. 693 corroborated and said the other bus was about a bus length in front of his bus when the defendant cut in.

The defendant said that he was following one bus, and wanted to overtake. He went to the middle of the road and seeing that there was sufficient time to pass the bus, he did so. He noticed that the bus which was coming in the opposite direction swerved a little to the left, but that was because it was in the middle of the road. He did not notice the bus which he was following swerve.

Mr. Butters discharged the defendant with a caution.

Lady and Gentleman Fined.

Mrs. F. Hillie was summoned before Mr. Butters for having driven private car No. 432, along Waterloo Road on December 11, without having an appropriate driver's license.

She pleaded guilty to the summons, and said that she had an old license, but had not renewed it as she was leaving the Colony.

Mr. Butters imposed a fine of \$10.

In connection with the same car, Mr. H. Huirt was summoned for having been in charge of the car and having allowed it to be driven by an unlicensed driver.

He was fined \$10.

YESTERDAY'S LAND SALE AT P.W.D.

KOWLOON INLAND LOTS SECURE GOOD PRICE.

Biddings were brisk at the land sale held yesterday afternoon at the P.W.D., when New Kowloon Inland Lot Nos. 1435 at Shamshui Po, consisting of 19,895 square feet, with an annual rental of \$182, was sold to Messrs. Der Sinc Chi and Li Wan Yu at \$62,100, from the upset price of \$39,790.

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2424 in Tung Choi Street, Mong Kok-Tsui, consisting of about 2,170 square feet, with an upset price of \$4,340, was knocked down to Mr. Lok Wing on behalf of Tsang Hing at \$7,000, while New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1434, consisting of 4,367 square feet, was knocked down to Mr. Chan Chung Ping at \$13,000, the upset price being \$6,650. At the same sale Garden Lot No. 77 in Stubbs Road consisting of about 9,400 square feet was sold to Mrs. Cheung Pe at the upset price of \$470.

bearing the same labels which were in a bad condition—at least, not in the same condition as when he issued them.

Again two days later, at the Tin Wo Distillery, he examined an empty jar which he now produced before the Court for the purpose of comparison with the 59 jars.

Questioned by Mr. Lo, witness agreed that duty was paid by the Tin Wo Distillery in respect of the 59 jars for which witness issued those labels. The gum used—"Eveready"—was such as the Superintendent would approve, being of unquestionable quality.

MILITARY WEDDING.

CEREMONY AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

A brilliant military wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, on December 28, when Miss Constance Cree became the wife of Lieut. Gerald Wolfe Barry, Royal Artillery.

The Cathedral was beautifully decorated with white chrysanthemums and the ceremony was performed by the Very Rev. Dean Swann, D.D.

The bride looked charming in a white satin gown with an old family lace veil and was attended by Miss June Dangerfield, who was attractively attired in white satin, with a large bouquet of pink roses.

Capt. C. D. Mould was best man while Lieut. J. A. L. Schreber, R.A. and Lieut. P. W. Webb, R.A., were the ushers. The bride was given away by Lt.-Col. W. F. Christian, D.S.O., C.R.A., China.

The procession entered the Cathedral to the strains of the Bridal March from Lohengrin, and after the ceremony, Sir Edward Parry's "Jerusalem" was played. The bridal party left to the accompaniment of Mendelssohn's Wedding March and was met at the door by a guard of honour of the bridegroom's brother officers with an imposing arch of swords.

Owing to a bereavement in the bride's family, there was no reception, but a few friends followed the happy couple to the Hongkong Hotel, where a small luncheon party was held.

The bride wore a blue and white crepe-de-chine going away dress, with coat to match, and a blue hat.

To remove the labels where this type of gum was used without damaging them was difficult, witness added.

Mr. Lo: At any rate, you were satisfied with the gum that morning?—Witness: Yes.

The case was adjourned until Saturday morning.

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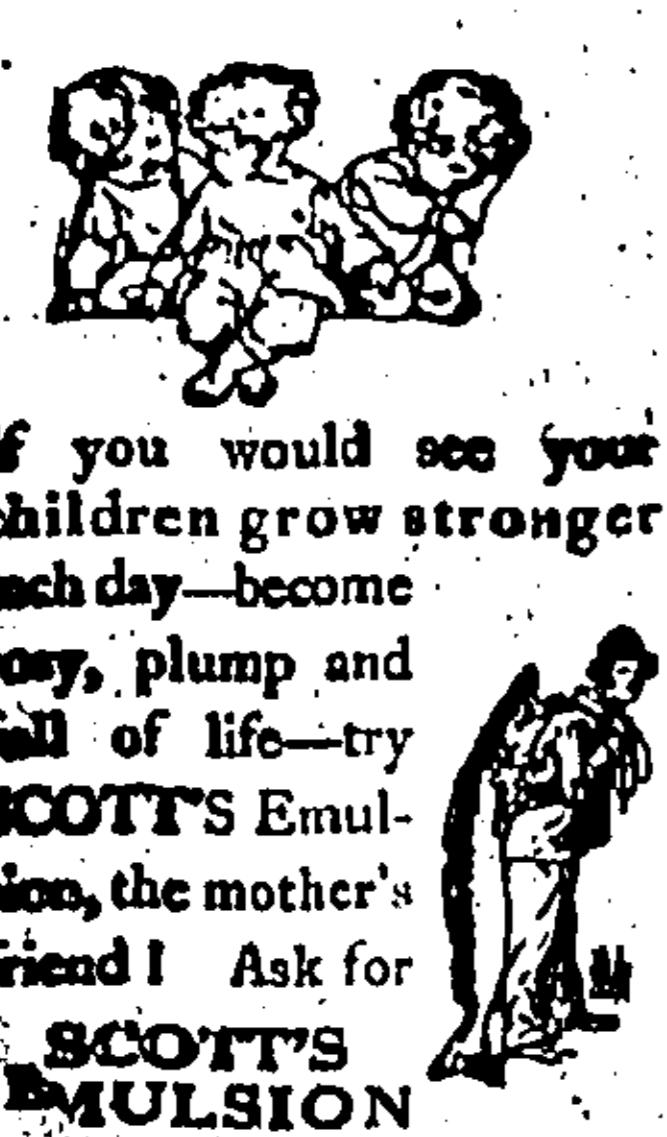
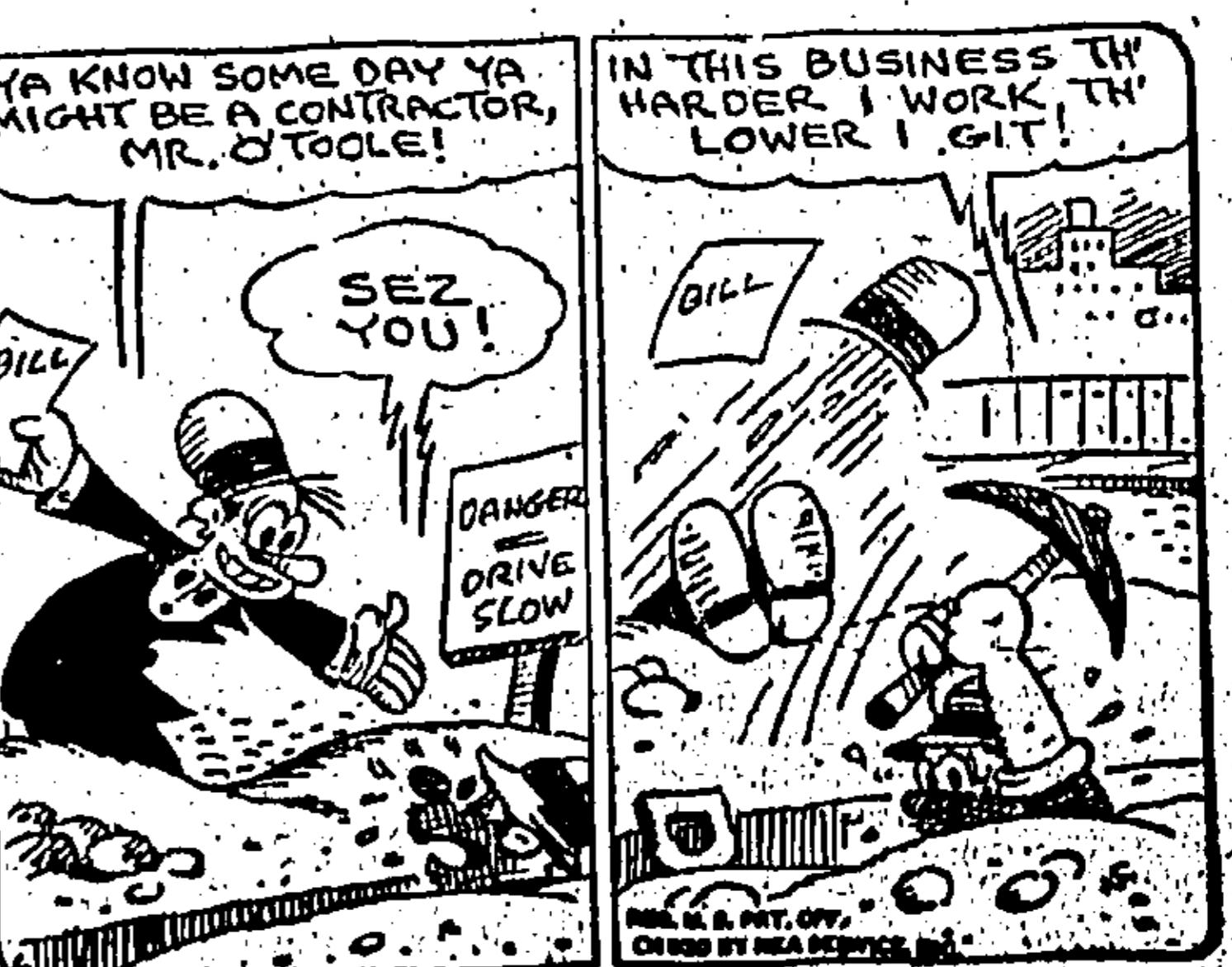
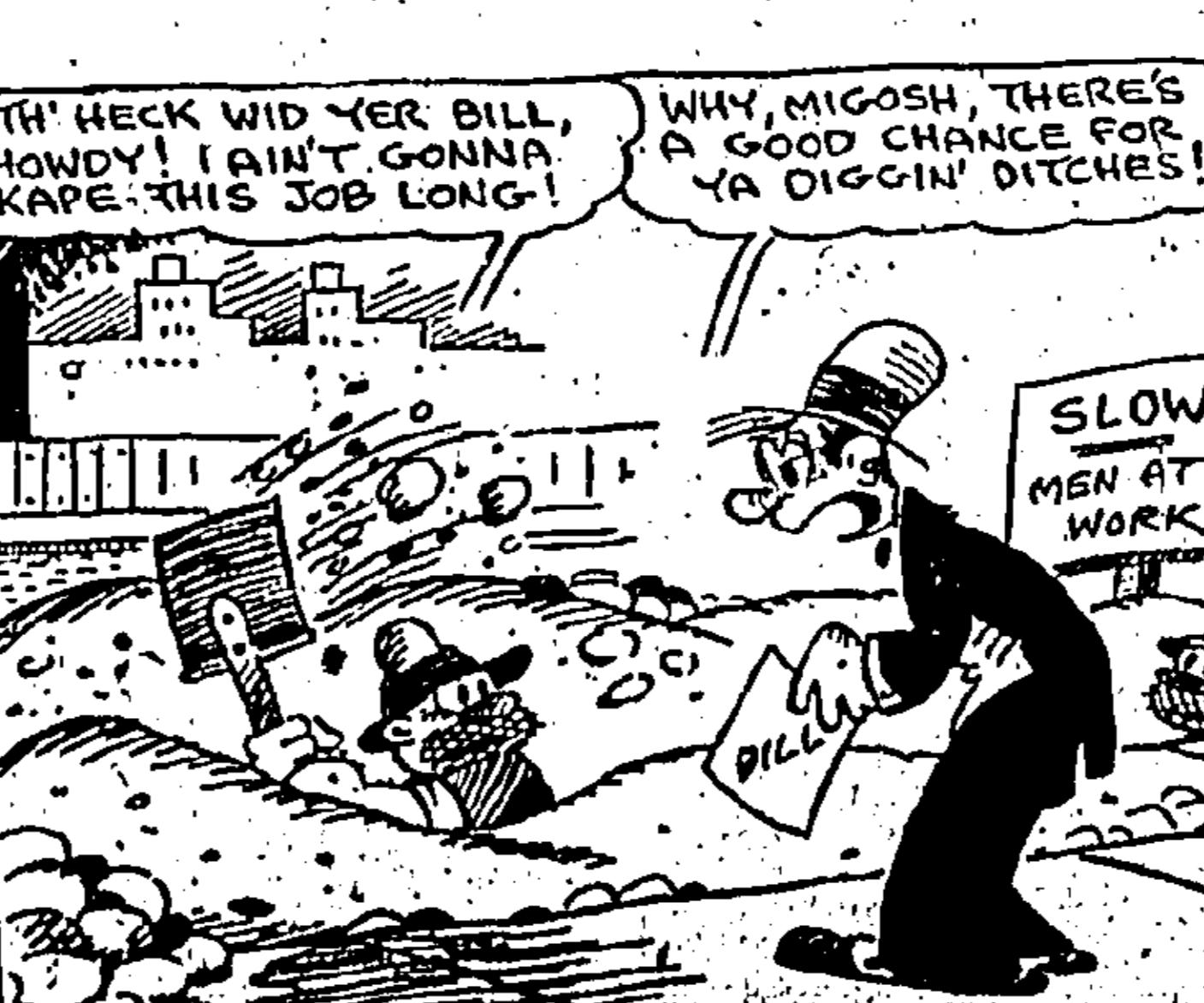
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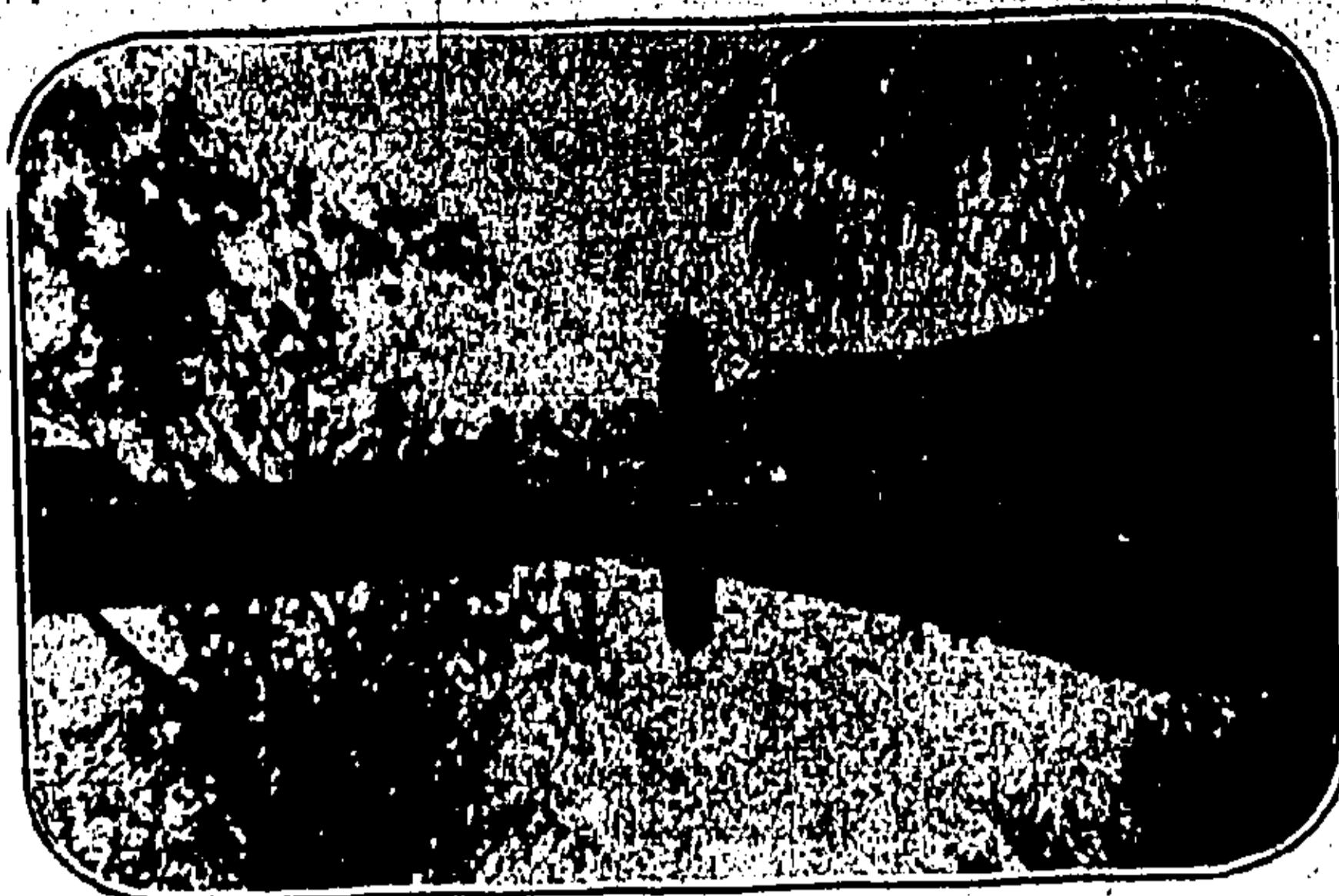
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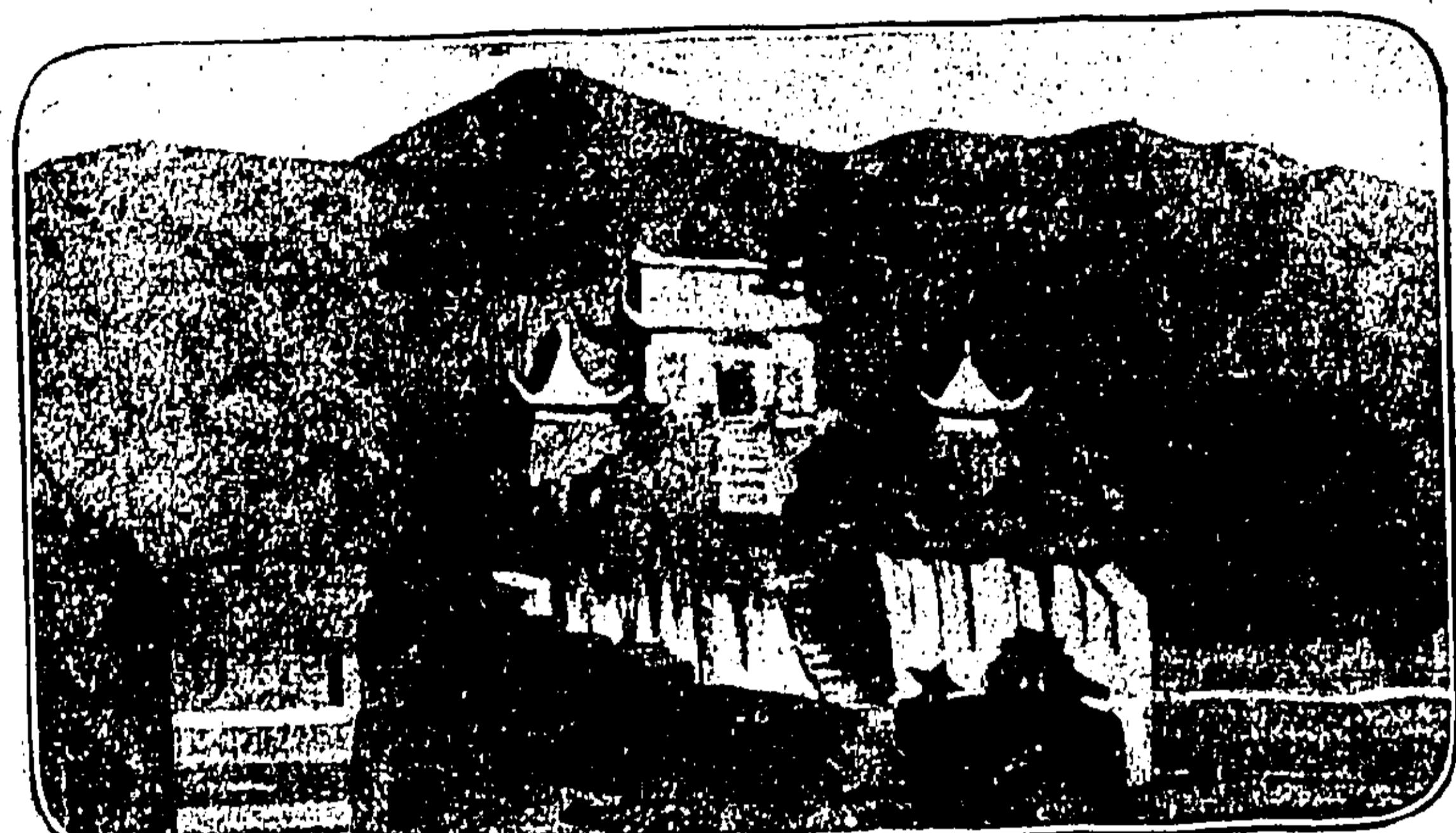




"Berondeewko" a typical Christmas scene painted by the well-known artist, Mr. J. Lehonus of Shanghai.



View from Zakou Station, Hang chow, of the Pagoda of Seven Heavens situated on the Chion Tang River. One of the picturesque sights of South China.



A very lovely picture of a Chinose landscape, showing a small temple on an island among majestic hills. The curved, sickle roofs and the cryptomeria trees are characteristic. (By Lehonus.)



Miss Mary Brian, the famous girl film star, in the role of Santa Claus.



Photo taken in Shanghai when Miss Soumey Chen gave a reception in honour of Dr. Tsu Min-yeo, at which many friends were present who have known Dr. Tsu a number of years.



Major A. Bassett, Member Committee Municipal Affairs, American Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai.



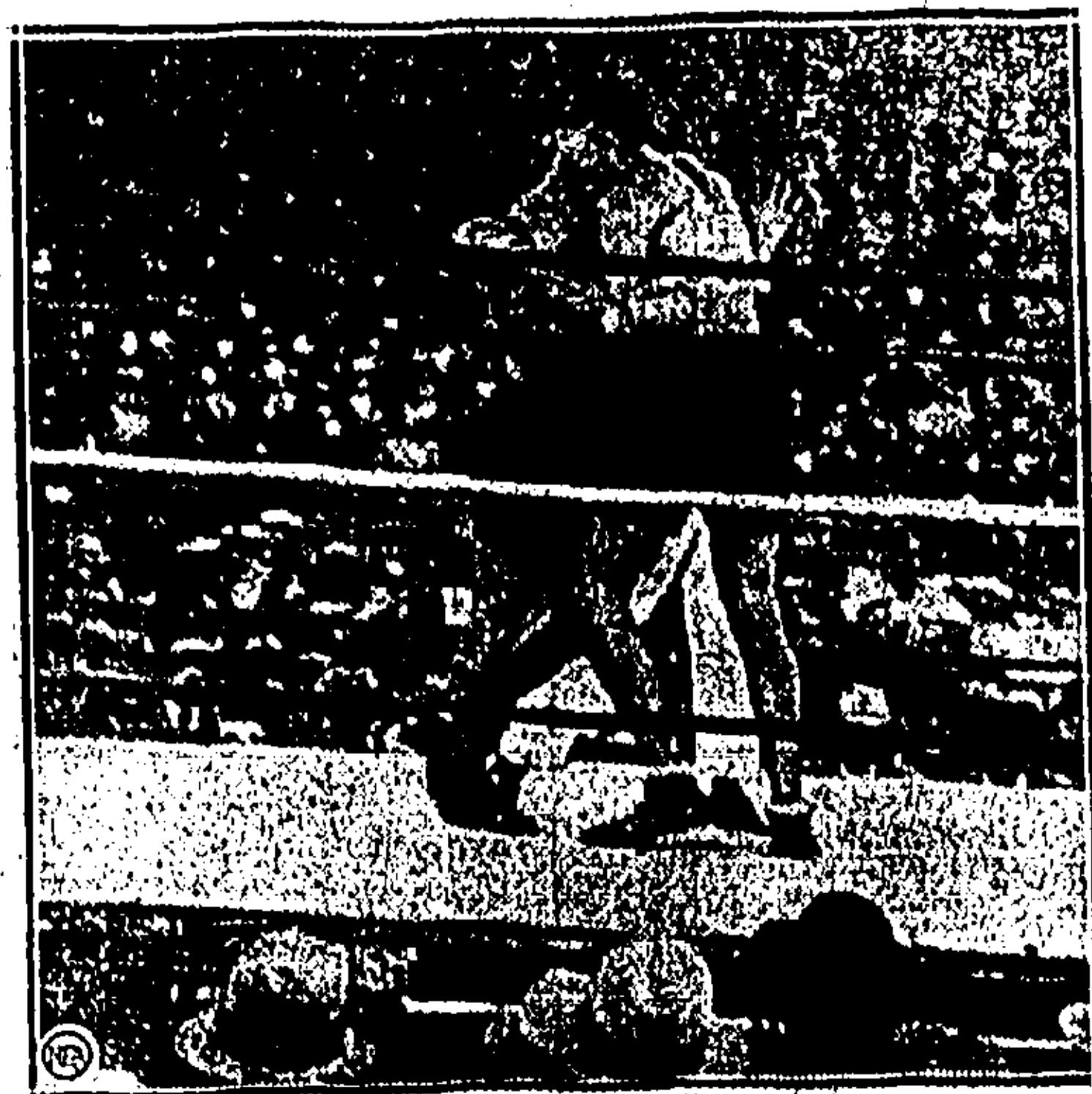
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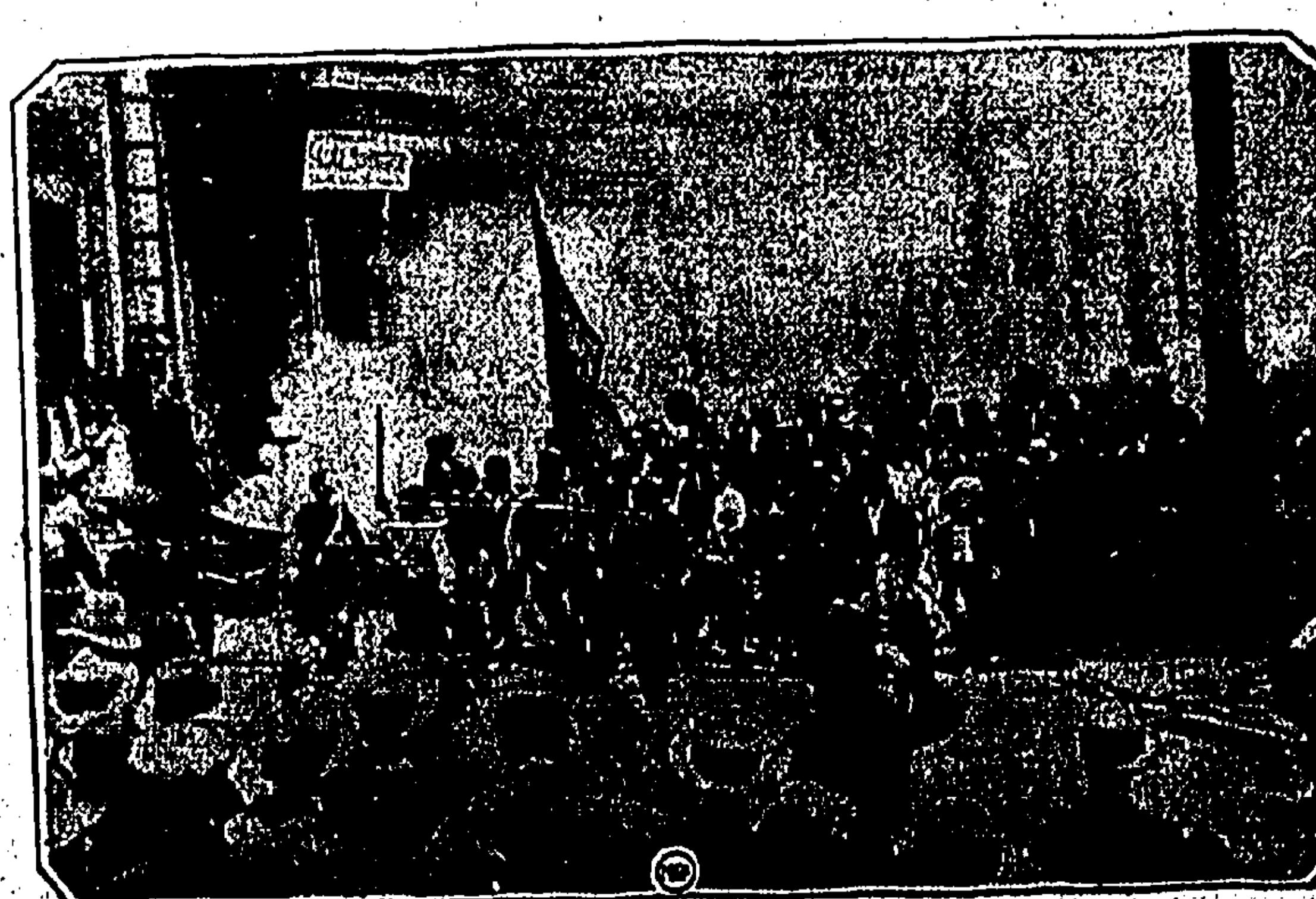
Colonel Curtis H. Nance, Vice-President of the Radio Corporation of the Philippines.



Photo taken when Miss Cheng Wa-kee became the bride of Mr. Tan Yung-shan recently at a pretty wedding.



A clinching match between Young Stribling and Arthur Dekuh, a 6ft. 4in. Italian from New York. Stribling won easily on points, though he had great difficulty in avoiding the clinches.



A striking picture showing one of the mobs with flaming torches, clubs and a red banner running wild in Rio de Janeiro during the recent coup d'etat. Business houses and news papers friendly to the Luis Government were burned down.



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REMINDER.

The Annual Meeting is to be at 5.15 p.m. at the City Hall on 30th December.

It is earnestly hoped that all members will attend.

Those wishing to become members will be welcome and are requested to sign a list that will be at the door.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY, BRITISH SECTION.

NOTICE.

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 ROBERT BAKER,
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JOCK CRICHTON.

MAY FIGHT ON SATURDAY AT CITY HALL.

Hongkong, will be matched on Saturday night at the City Hall, when the main bout, will be the return fight between Stoker Lake and A. B. Dobson for the lightweight belt. Crichton arrived here on the Empress of Russia yesterday from Shanghai.

Originally it was intended that Crichton was to defend his Hongkong title against "Smilie" Morris of the Royal Navy, but this is not likely as Morris leaves for a cruise on H.M.S. Suffolk on Friday.

Crichton needs no introduction to Hongkong as he fought here last year, and is regarded as among the cleverest of middleweights in China. He gained the Hongkong title from Harry Ewin last winter, when he was in the Navy. Crichton left the service soon after winning the belt, and has had much success in Shanghai. His most important victory was against Dan Scarcey, the U.S. Marine, to whom he gave away 14½ lbs., and whom he beat for the championship last month.

Crichton strips at 150 lbs. and met Morris last year at Shanghai, beating him on points. He did some training on the steamer and has gone straight into work at the Police gymnasium, where Mr. "Sky" Kerrison had kindly offered to train him during the week.

MORE RUM RUNNING.

U.S. COASTGUARDS MAKE A HUGE HAUL.

New London, Conn., Dec. 29.

The motor-ship Eleanor Joan, of Nova Scotia, a sister ship of the Audrey B (captured on Xmas Day) has been captured by coastguards.

The vessel is alleged to have had \$170,000 worth of liquor aboard.

The crew of eleven have been taken to New York for trial.—Reuters' American Service.

CINEMA NOTES.

HILARIOUS SITUATIONS IN HAINES TALKIE.

Love and laughs, romance and high finance, mingle in a rapid fire blend of comedy and heart-throbs in William Haines' latest and one of his most ambitious pictures, "The Girl Said No," his all-talking Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, which is now playing at the Queen's Theatre.

The picture has Haines as a chap fresh from college, with a diploma, a swelled head and a bagful of "wise-cracks." The plot depicts his adventures trying to get his first job and his early struggles with the world of business and competition.

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Haines starts with pranks and comedy, he meets a girl in an office and falls in love with her; gets his first job, his father dies and he shoulders the responsibility for the family and a whirlwind finish sees him "come-through." The hilarious incidents include a breakneck automobile climb and details of an actual Wall Street brokerage house in full operation in the heat of trading. The human interest lies in the intimate touches of family life. Comedy at a college party, a night club and the breaking up of a wedding add the typical Haines whimsicalities.

Sam Wood directed the picture with the same deft skill that marks his "So This Is College." Lella Hyman, who played opposite the star in " Alias Jimmy Valentine," appears as heroine who is not only charming to gaze upon, but a very accomplished actress as well. The French X. Bushman, Jr., plays the "toughie" as McAndrew, the office manager. Junior Cagney, his "mascot" in "Slide, Kelly, Slide," contributes comedy as a small brother and Polly Moran and Marie Dressler get in a couple of howls of mirth.

Ramon Novarro in "In Gay Madrid." Six new song hits of unusual appeal and charm are to be heard in Ramon Novarro's new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring talking picture, "In Gay Madrid," which will open on Wednesday at the Queen's Theatre.

Five world-famous concert and popular composers combined in creating these striking musical numbers especially for Novarro's splendid singing voice. They are used in conveying a tuneful interpretation of the plot of the Spanish romantic classic from which the picture was screened under Robert Z. Leonard's direction.

Three of these songs were written by Xavier Cugat, noted Spanish musician and orchestra leader, in collaboration with Herbert Stothart and Clifford Gray, one of America's foremost operetta composition teams. These songs are "Dark Night," "Let Me Give You Love" and "Santiago."

The other songs, in lighter vein but retaining all the romantic charm of the world atmosphere in which they are placed, were written by Roy Turk and Fred E. Ahlert, who crashed into the talking picture field with their "Marianne" numbers. These songs are "Into My Heart," "Wine, Woman and Song" and "Smile Commando."

"Captain of the Guard". Many beautiful torchlight scenes, both of the village peasants dancing and singing their folk songs, and of the determined marchion of the Marseillais marching on to victory in the French Revolution, are artistically brought to the all-sound screen by Director John S. Robertson in Universal's tremendous romantic drama "Captain of the Guard," which is now being shown at the Central Theatre and which will be shown for the last time to-morrow.

Five beautiful songs, all especially written by Charles Wakefield Cadman and Rex Rochmid, are sung by John Boles. These songs, which include tender love songs and stirring battle numbers, are in addition to the tremendous music of "La Marseillaise," France's immortal national hymn, which Boles also sings in the picture. Laura La Plante is co-starred with the singing star, and such outstanding players as Sam de Grasse, Lionel Bolmore, James Marcus, Stuart Holmes and many others play important parts. Here is a picture that no one should miss.

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PLEASING LAMP SHADES.

Lampshades of silk, velvet, and brocade are, this year, quite as fashionable as those made of paper, parchment, and glass, and, happily, for the home amateur, their making or renovation is a far simpler matter. Suppose that you have a wire support of the required size and shape, or are prepared to buy one from a lampshop, all that you require then for the re-covering is the necessary length of fabric, some galon, or narrow ribbon, for concealing joints and edges, and, possibly, some silk, glass, or tinsel fringe. Taffetas, georgette, brocade, crepe de chine, artificial silk and cotton, Japanese silk, and flowered shantung are the favourite materials for lampshades. Thin fabric must, of course, be used if a good light is required from the lamp, though organdie, figured linen, and velvet serve where a very soft illumination is sufficient.

A Slip-on Flounce.

One of the easiest ways of renewing a shabby silk shade is to put a deep hanging flounce right over it. The flounce, which can be of georgette, taffetas, or any kind of thin, soft silk, will need to be quite twelve inches deep, and should be cut either circular or as a segment of a circle, if less fullness be required. When finished and attached to the upper rim of the frame the flounce should fall a little lower than the edge of the old silk shade.

The attachment stitches can be hidden beneath a ribbon, ruched or pleated, and the lower edge of the shade either be similarly trimmed, finished with a ribbon binding or banding, or with a trims.

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If an entirely new cover is preferred for the shade there is no real difficulty in surmounting in cutting and stitching. For a large frame about one and a half yards of 30-inch silk will be required.

The colour is a matter to be considered in relation with other furnishings, but as far as lighting effects go, shades of pink and pale yellow are far the most satisfactory.

Each panel of the wire frame must be filled in separately, and before cutting the fabric at all a paper pattern, allowing 1-inch turnings on all edges, should be made and carefully tried for fit.

Pieces of silk left over must be cut into narrow strips and used to wind round the wires, both to neaten the inside and give attachment for stitching on the cover. It is best first to stitch the top of each panel to the upper wire, then sew the lower edge, and finally the sides. Neatness should be aimed at, but, since section-joints are bound to show, a narrow gold or silver galon, a silk braid, or a ribbon should be used to make an ornamental outline for each panel, and to trim upper and lower rims.

A fringe of silk, tinsel, or glass is the pretty and usual finish for the lower edge of the silk shade.

THE RIGHT TO BE LATE.

A well-known sportswoman arrived ten minutes too early at the church for her wedding in London recently, and it is recorded that she was not in the least embarrassed by the position, although she had to wait in the courtyard of the church with her bridesmaids while the guests were entering.

This, it seems to me, is a sign of another levelling of the rights of the sexes—and one which most men will welcome.

In Victorian days it was held to be a woman's privilege to be a little late, not only for her wedding, but upon all occasions when she was about to bestow the favour of her society upon a man. His embarrassment evidently did not count in these days. A woman must not appear too eager to meet the man whose love she would keep.

I remember reading in an old novel of the horror of a charming woman of forty, when she saw a young girl watching for her lover from a window. A broken heart and a spoilt love-affair were said to be the portion of the woman who watched for her lover from a window!—H. M. In Exchange.

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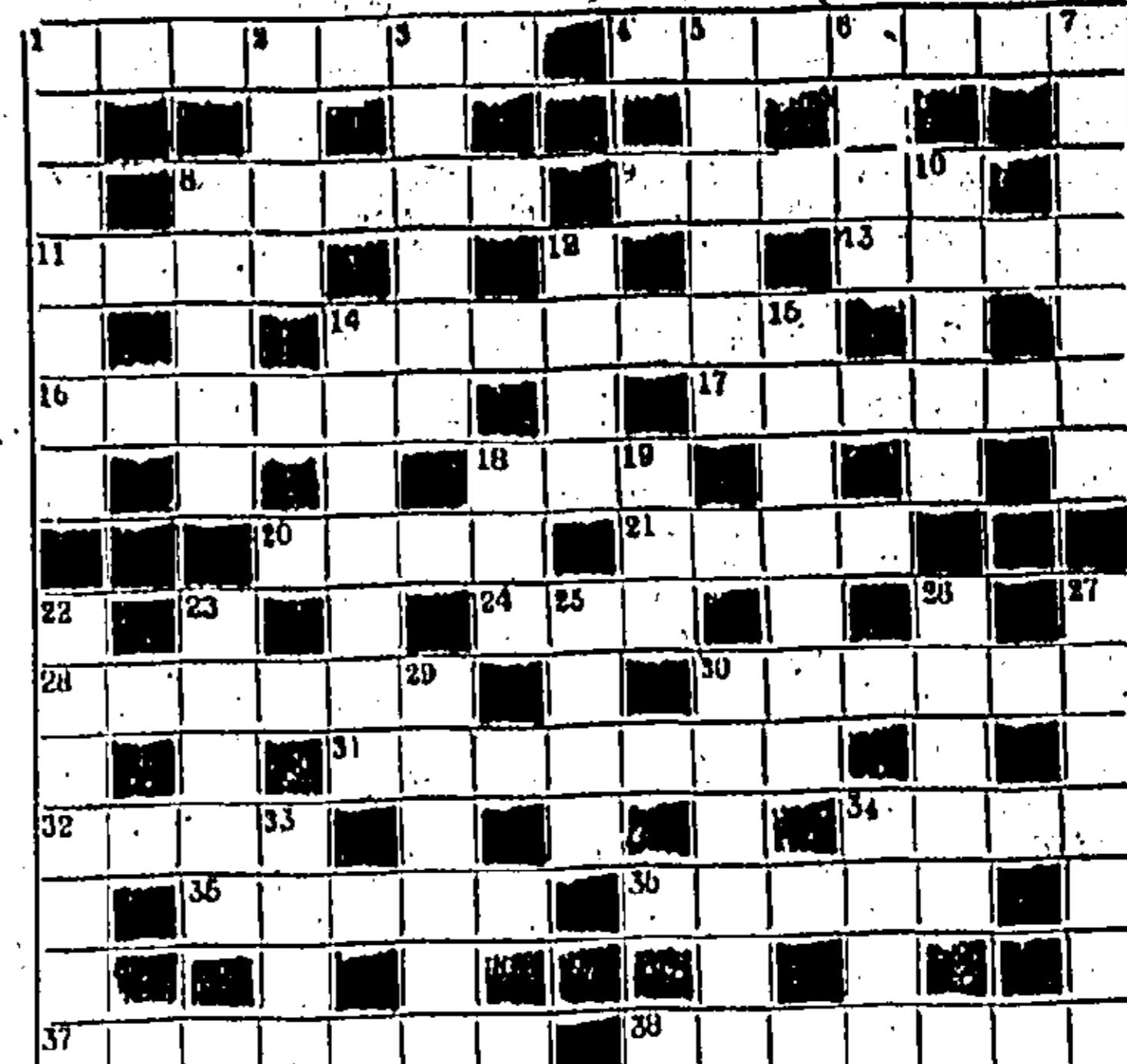


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11 This is very Irish.
13 What a pity!
14 Don't worry if you find this perverse.
16 Fishy at first, this rhymes with lily.
17 Not too far away to be pointed at.
18 When this belongs to a bull you certainly score.
20 So this drenches.
21 What part of a Yankee's baggage would an Englishman hold tightly?
24 A small barrel.
28 The kind of reply that a chemist might make.
30 All small children do this.
31 Here the boy, little by little, gets round the rat.
32 A private one is illegal—except in the kitchen garden.
34 Again.
35 Scarcely a compliment to the lecturer.
36 Check the development of this.
37 "Tip theo" (anag.).
38 A hog has more than one, and a dog may.

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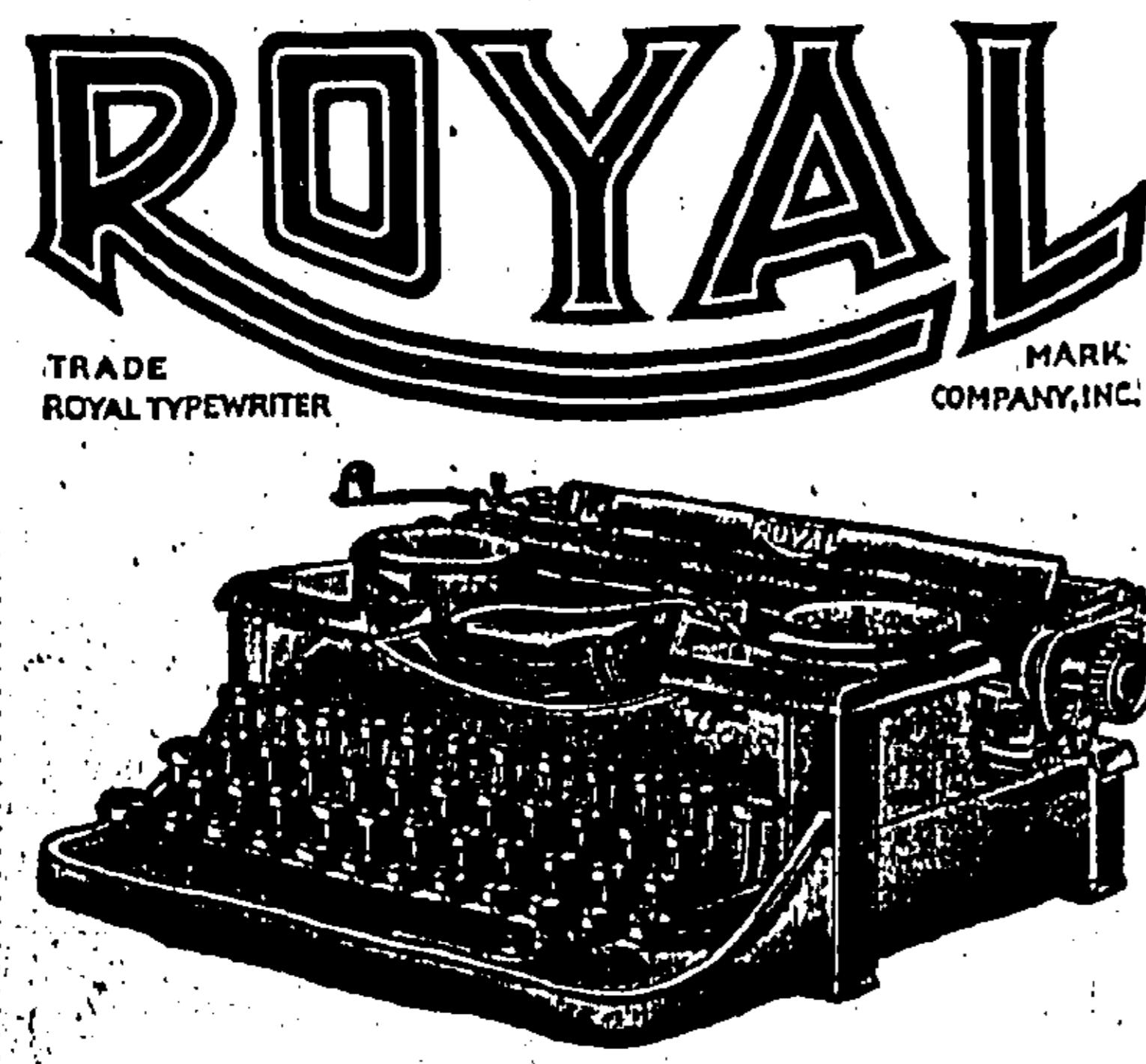
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TUESDAY, DEC. 30, 1930.

THE POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT.

It is difficult, in considering Mr. Lloyd George's latest declaration regarding Liberal policy towards the Labour Government, to determine what is the "significant" portion of the speech to which Reuter refers. On the one hand, the ex-Premier declares that Liberals deem that they are discharging a patriotic duty in doing their best to avert a restoration of the Baldwin Government to power; on the other, he speaks of giving the Government another chance of pulling itself together and taking their job in earnest, adding that unless they do, they cannot be kept in office very much longer by any Parliament with a sense of responsibility. It might be inferred from the first part of the speech that the Liberals give primary importance to keeping the Conservatives out of office; yet the sting contained in the latter portion of his utterance almost suggests that they are losing all patience with Labour and are in a mood to throw the MacDonald Administration out of office without much further ado. Time will tell which is the dominating influence, but with the prospects of electoral reform in the near future—a reform which would be to the manifest advantage of the Liberals—we cannot see Mr. Lloyd George and his followers going out of their way to oust Labour from power. There is, of course, another big issue shortly coming to the fore, namely, the new Trades Union Bill. How Liberals as a body feel on that measure has not yet been disclosed, but it may well be that they will insist on considerable amendments to this piece of legislation, in which event a serious divergence of view as between Liberals and Labour may disclose itself.

There can be little doubt that throughout the country as a whole, considerable dissatisfaction has arisen regarding the Government's domestic policy. The critics hail from all the Parties, not excluding Labour itself. As one writer has expressed it, there is a sense of crisis in the air. General Seely, once a Cabinet Minister but now aloof from Party politics, has, in the course of a letter to *The Times*, publicly expressed what many people are saying in private. "Britain is confronted," he says, "with a grave emergency," and "it is clear that an election on Party lines will not help us to meet it." Amongst

the problems which he regards as insoluble by Party strife are those of India, the Dominions and economy, including the problem of the dole. "As Chairman of the National Savings Committee," he says, "I have met during the last four and a half year, and especially during the last three months, not hundreds, but thousands, of men and women of every class and shade of opinion...and I have found almost complete agreement, not only that an all-party Government is essential if we are to cure our troubles, but that Party divisions are now so blurred that agreement on the main lines of policy would not be difficult. They all say, if the right man were to appeal to the people of Britain to abandon Party strife and come together and pull together until this emergency is over, he would receive overwhelming support from the whole mass of the people." We may quarrel with the statement that Party divisions are now blurred, and we may wonder who General Seely has in mind when he talks of "the right man," but there does seem ground for believing that there is quite a widespread demand for non-Party treatment of the chief problems now confronting the nation.

We cannot say, however, that we have much faith in Coalition Governments, and it does not appear at all clear how such an administration would be able to agree on Britain's economic policy, seeing that there is such a sharp divergence of viewpoint between the Conservatives and the Liberal and Labour Parties. The best and most logical solution would be a fresh appeal to the country, to determine how the electorate views the fiscal and other issues. But the Liberals apparently fear that this may let in a Protectionist Government, at least until electoral reform is an actuality. For a time, therefore, Labour seems fairly safe in office, but it is clear that some circumstance might easily arise in the near future to change the whole political outlook and bring about an early General Election.

The Mobile Police.

The provisions of the Road Traffic Act, which has been hailed as a public boon, come into force on New Year's Day and motorists in the British Isles will take to the road with an acute sense of changed conditions, particularly when they meet members of the new mobile police force. This body of men, patrolling large areas on motor-cycles or in motor cars, has been organised for the express purpose of giving effect to the clauses designed to check dangerous driving in all its forms, their work being similar in most respects to that of the traffic police in Hongkong. Mr. Herber Morrison, designer of the Act, defines their duties as "getting order, considerateness and decent conduct on the King's highway," a definition which should cause little apprehension in the mind of the normally careful driver. There will be a thousand of these specially selected officers on the road but if the intentions of the Act are fulfilled it is only the reckless driver who has cause to worry. Mr. Morrison makes it clear that there is no question of the mobile police pursuing their duties in a merely vindictive spirit. On the contrary, where only minor faults are involved, they will be expected to give a friendly word of warning or advice. In serious cases, prosecution is the only remedy and the new Act, which emphasises the impropriety of dangerous, reckless or careless driving, contemplates substantially increased penalties. What actually constitutes dangerous or careless driving, remains to be decided only in relation to a particular set of circumstances, and the public will await with the deepest interest the interpretations of the police and magistrates. In any event, the abolition of the speed limit places the responsibility upon the driver himself and the general opinion is that the effect will be to produce a more satisfactory state of affairs than has existed hitherto.

Administered with common sense the new Act will undoubtedly prove a blessing to all considerate users of the road.

DAY BY DAY

IF YOU TRY TO PAINT AN IDEAL AND THE PICTURE FALLS SHORT, DOES THAT MAKE YOUR IDEAL LESS?
Mark Lee Luther.

The Swedish East Asiatic Company's motor vessel Shantung left Antwerp on the 22nd instant and is due here on or about January 23rd.

It is advertised that the Exchange Banks will be closed to the transaction of public business on Thursday, January 1st, (New Year's Day.)

The late Mr. Walter Poate, of Woodmancote, West Byfleet, formerly of Hongkong, merchant, left estate valued at £32,832 (net personality £29,978).

Passengers arriving by the Kashima Maru yesterday included Mr. S. T. Butlin, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Parsons, Mr. G. W. Sewell, Mr. J. H. Austin and Mr. C. J. Thompson.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Ernst Richard Alexander Zimmerman, of Jordan House, Kowloon, to Miss Mary Hernie Ahwae, of Carpe Diem, Kowloon City.

Mr. C. H. Hoare, of Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., reported to the police yesterday that his car, a Buick, was stolen from Ramsey Street where he had parked it between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Sunday last.

Arriving here from Saigon on Sunday afternoon, Capt. W. Lee, of the ss. Helikon, reported to the Harbour Office that a small fire broke out in the tween deck during the voyage, when five bags of charcoal got alight.

It is notified that H.M.S. Berwick will have divers down tomorrow in position on the eastern edge of the 12 fathoms patch near the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock carrying out deep water diving exercises, both in the morning and afternoon.

On behalf of Mr. N. Drummond of 2, Quarry Point, Mr. A. Dransfield, time-keeper of the Talook Sugars Refinery, reported to the police yesterday the loss of a Tientsin carpet from behind Mr. Drummond's residence. The carpet is valued at \$25.

The well-known bank-note trick was successfully played on a waitress of the Tung Nan Restaurant yesterday afternoon as she was returning to her home at Yee Kuk Street, Shamshui Po. She was accosted by three men who obtained from her jewellery to the value of \$76.

The estimated traffic receipts of the Imperial and International Communications, Ltd., for November, 1930, were £402,886, compared with receipts for November, 1929, of £512,161. The aggregate receipts from January to November are £4,929,164, compared with £5,628,029 for 1929.

Expressing the view that it was a "border line case" and that the documents seized were not sufficiently damaging to warrant a conviction, Mr. Lindsell, at the Central Police Court this morning, discharged a Chinese workman employed at the Talook Sugar Refinery who was accused of being in possession of Communist literature.

They remind one that once there were indeed days when calling was calling, when, twice a month, the best tea service was arranged on the drawing room table, the cakes were abundant, the flowers were "done," and by three o'clock the expectant hostess was stiffly ensconced in her chair, awaiting the visitors, like a large, prosper-

BEVERLEY NICHOLS on

"NOT AT HOME."

MIRRORS have always fascinated me. They are as deep as life, and as shallow. Theirs, too, is the mystery of time, for they live only in the glittering present.

Every morning they are gilt by the sunrise; every twilight finds them veiled and brooding. They know so much, these mirrors—they are silver caskets holding a million secrets.

There is one mirror which, I feel, might tell many charming and delicate tales were it to be released from its bond of silence. It is fastened outside a window of an old house in a quiet Chelsea street—one of those streets which seem to have been forgotten, deserted by no omnibus, marred by no shops, where even the taxicabs seem to purr more softly. It is a mirror with a purpose, and its purpose is to warn the inhabitants against the advent of any unwelcome or inconvenient caller.

It has been there, I am told, for nearly forty years. Across its surface have tilted the figures of ladies in bustles, alighting from carriages after being assured by the groom that Mrs.—is "at home." It has reflected disgruntled beaux of the *fin de siècle*, turning away in disgust from the unfolding doors, having been told that Mrs.—is "not at home." And fluttering, feathered, Edwardian ladies and black, sleek dowagers leaving cards. Then the pageant changed to khaki and the mirror's use was gone, for there were some in those days to whom nobody was "not at home."

Always, the two who studied the mirror's surface, after the tinkling of the bell had told them of the friend or the enemy who was at their gates, have rejoiced in the ancient prerogative of ordering their own hospitality. Their home has been their castle. It has not been turned, as so many homes are being turned to-day, into a ten-shop or a cock-tail bar which must be open to all comers unless its owner wishes to be accused of being "odd."

They had chosen their own friends, and entertained them as they thought best. There was a solidarity about friendship, in those days, which is not to be found in any of the little "sets" which whirl round London for a brief space, like hectic leaves blown by the fitful wind of a fashion.

For though formalities may be irksome they do at least encourage growth. There is more than a merely polite significance in the phrase "Manners maketh man." Do you remember those visiting cards on which were printed the mysterious words, "First and third Wednesdays?" In years to come those little slips of pasteboard may well find a corner in the collections of historians, yet unborn, as illustrative of a vanished social epoch. Even to-day the picture which they evoke seems incredibly remote.

They remind one that once there were indeed days when calling was calling, when, twice a month, the best tea service was arranged on the drawing room table, the cakes were abundant, the flowers were "done," and by three o'clock the expectant hostess was stiffly ensconced in her chair, awaiting the visitors, like a large, prosper-

The lady of to-day swallows a sidecar and says, "What a shattering day," which is no sort of statement at all and is of interest only to the neurologist as indicating a reflex action of shattered nerves. I like people to tell me that the evenings are drawing in. The statement seems to remind one that the world is going on after all and that whatever happens to British Industries there is one thing that always rises after sinking, which is the sun.

The sun is sinking now on that mirror in Chelsea. And perhaps someone is knocking at the door. I do hope for his sake that the answer will be "At Home."

Lies of the Blackest.

By F. W. MEMORY.

THE Psalmist confessed that it was in haste that he said, "All men are liars," but it is with cool, calm deliberation that Mr. Justice McCordie repeats the accusation. And equally deliberately Mr. Justice Eve retorts that perjury in the courts is less prevalent than it was 30 years ago.

According to the latest available statistics there were no fewer than 181 cases of perjury known to the police in 1928 (there were, however, only 81 persons brought to trial). This was 36 less than in 1927, but 47 more than the average number between 1900 and 1904. Mr. Justice McCordie, however, holds that now perjury is committed in greater or less degree in most civil and criminal cases before the courts.

If perjury is so rampant, the reason, some will say, is probably to be found in the homes of England and the general weakening of parental control brought about by the freedom which young people of the present age enjoy.

Unpleasant Truth.

The pursuit of pleasure has made both men and women opportunists in every sense of the word; they do and say those things which are calculated to serve their ends rather than to bear strict relation to truth and facts. And so it has come about that truth, because often it is unpleasant, is not valued very highly. From that habit perjury is but a step.

This would be a very excellent theory if it could be demonstrated that the known perjurers come from those centres where pleasure and pleasure-seeking run riot—the great towns and gay places of the country.

But curiously enough, an examination of judicial statistics proves just nothing. Apparently the slow witted, early to bed early to rise country man and woman are just as much given to perjury as the butterflies and moths of the pleasure-making centres.

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"This guy ain't got a chance. I'll win every round, up to the foul."

LONDON OF THE FUTURE.

A THOROUGH TANGLE OF PROBLEMS.

NEED FOR A PLAN.

London, Nov. 30. The eighteenth dinner of the Architecture Club at the Savoy Hotel Wednesday will have as its topic "The London of the Future." The chief speakers of the evening will be Mr. J. R. Priestley, Alderman Ewart Culpin, L.C.C., and Mr. J. C. Squire; while Mr. George Lansbury, the First Commissioner of Works, will attend if Parliamentary duties permit.

This event happens at a time when the whole subject of the future of London is ripe for reconsideration. London is undergoing fundamental changes—of which the new Charing Cross Bridge provides but an incident in the scheme of things—and at no time in the history of London has there been such a concentration of causes, each of which calls for immediate consideration. These may be enumerated as follows:

First, there is the phenomenal and increasingly-rapid extension of London into the suburbs and Home Counties. Already the area of Greater London is taken as being forty miles from north to south and over forty from east to west. Before the end of the century it will have stretched to Brighton on the south and to Southend on the east. It must be remembered that the population of Greater London is almost twice that of Scotland, and nearly three times that of Denmark; and, with greater travel facilities and more ambitious conditions of living, the population will spread out much further.

Second, considerable changes are going on in the centre in the matter of rebuilding, for we have reached a point when the incidence of expiration in ninety-nine leases will now be occurring with greater frequency.

The Street Problem.

Third, mechanical transport has changed the whole function of our streets. They have become cross-country through-traffic routes. Consequently we are rapidly reaching the strangulation point, and the present street plan of London is quite unfit for any logical solution of this problem, no matter how efficient our methods of control may be.

Fourth, during the last few years there has been a movement of industrialism towards the south of England. New factories are springing up within the London area. One only needs to take a journey along one of the new arterial roads near London—such as the Great West Road—to see this.

Fifth, modern facilities in travel have given increased mobility to the citizens of London, not only to reach homes as far away as Brighton, but to make them seek in a wider field for their social recreations. Consequently, there is less pride in any locality to resist the spoliation of districts; and the more important social centres—such as the main streets of the West End—have become overcrowded in the evenings by people who previously found amusements in their own districts. This will tend to increase, and the only solutions are either to enlarge the promenade and amusement areas of the West End or to encourage more lively local centres under the scheme of satellite towns.

This brings me to one of the most important points of all. We must have many more open spaces and sports grounds. This is not merely a matter of amenities or ordinary convenience; it is a matter of dire necessity, for the motor-car has destroyed the exercise of walking, and industrialism has drained the health of the nation beyond the economic point; and if we are to hold any place in the world either in sports or physical endurance, we must have at least ten times the number of open spaces for sports and recreation.

London Without A Plan.

These are the main factors in the problem of London, and we have done little or nothing to solve them. The little that has been done amounts to this: Under the Town Planning Act, each local authority is nominally obliged to prepare a town-planning scheme for its un-built-up areas. Although the Act came into force twenty years ago, and although it was obligatory for each local authority to prepare its scheme within a certain term of years, only a small proportion of local authorities have actually prepared schemes. In short, many local authorities are evading the law; not so much through opposition as through ignorance and apathy. Notable amongst these are several authorities within Greater London; and the most remarkable example in the whole of England is the London County Council. Yet every capital city in the civilised world except London has prepared some sort of plan. Amsterdam has been working on a plan since the beginning of this century. Chicago is being rebuilt

THREE BUTTONS AS POSSIBLE CLUE.

STORY OF RAID ON R.A.S. HOUSE.

Three waistcoat buttons and a 20ft. rope with an iron hook were produced at Marylebone Police Court when two alleged "cat" housebreakers were sent for trial charged with breaking into the house of Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, K.A., at Clarendon-place, Bayswater.

The two men—William Wallace, 44, of White Lion-street, Finsbury, and William Ellis, 73, of Rowton House, King's Cross, were originally arrested as suspected persons outside the house.

Sir Giles (the famous designer of Liverpool Cathedral) said that about 7.30 p.m. he was seated in his car outside the house waiting to take his wife out to dinner, when he saw a man resembling Wallace pass and repass. Then a man like Ellis climbed over the hedge from the front garden and joined the other man and both walked off.

He drove after the men, and saw them near the railings of the park. He then went for to the police, drove the officers back to his house, and went off to keep the dinner engagement.

P.C.'s Simpson and Salter said that they watched Wallace throwing a rope up to the balcony of the house. The hook did not catch, and, at a signal from Ellis, both men made off, but were arrested. Detective-Sergeant Whitehurst said on the floor of the drawing-room he found a waistcoat button, and on the balcony two similar buttons. Later he noticed that three buttons were missing from Ellis's waistcoat.

Ellis produced three waistcoat buttons and said that they were the three which came off his waistcoat.

The magistrate allowed the man bail in one surely of £25.

on the Burnham plan, and New York has prepared its plan after six year's work. Rome is rebuilding on a plan; yet London has prepared no plan of any kind.

The two chief difficulties at the moment lie with the Town Planning Act, which in the first place makes no provision for the future planning of built-up areas; and in the second, vests its power solely in the hands of individual local authorities, no matter how small they may be. Regional planning schemes can only be prepared by the consent of all the District Councils concerned, and then only on a non-statutory basis, for a regional committee has no power to carry out its scheme.

A Gilbertian Position. Thus it is that the Greater London Regional Planning Committee—constituted under the auspices of Mr. Neville Chamberlain in November, 1927—is representative of no fewer than one hundred and thirty-seven local authorities—of which the London County Council is no more than one. Such a situation is Gilbertian, and, as may be imagined, the initial operations of the committee were somewhat cumbersome. It was not until the appointment in 1929 of Mr. Raymond Unwin as Technical Adviser that any headway seemed to have been made. With his able guidance the Committee has produced its first report. This is very good as far as it goes, but under the present arrangement it cannot go far. It deals chiefly with the decentralisation of population, the reservation of open spaces, proposals for amendments to the Town Planning Act so as to include built-up areas, and proposals for the constitution of a Regional Planning Authority for Greater London. These two latter are cardinal matters without which little further progress can be made.

A Hint From Chicago.

When the Central Authority is likely to be formed it is difficult to say, but meanwhile no plan has been prepared for Central London, not even one of a suggestive kind; therefore it seems that it would be better for London to adopt the Chicago method and form an unofficial body of those interested in the subject to support the official committee and urge the authorities into some definite action. With the successful example of the Chicago scheme in mind, I suggest that this unofficial organisation should be formed at once of all those Londoners—and not only Londoners—who are interested in the subject or who care for the future of London. This London Planning League might prepare a master plan purely of a suggestive kind, which the Central Authority—if it ever comes to be formed—could look to as a valuable expression of public desire. And the plan need not be costly or drastic—in its suggestions it should include the future needs in traffic, open spaces, and social amenities and it should set down the main lines of desirable change in the centre of London for the next hundred years, so that when buildings are pulled down in the normal way they could be put back to new frontages. If this had been done a hundred years ago we would not be in the muddle we are in now.

REVOLT AGAINST THE RACKETEERS.

U. S. OFFICIALDOM AWAKING UP.

NEW YORK £20,000,000 IN BLACKMAIL.

That general revolt in America against extravagantly vicious crime conditions to which the righteous have looked forward with faith, though oft disappointed, seems to be nearer. Officialdom is waking up. The Federal Government, under the lead of Attorney-General Mitchell, has announced that the Hoover Administration had begun a war of extermination and would continue the greatest recorded Federal effort against disorder and dishonesty till the nation had been normalised, with or without the co-operation of local authorities, upon the same national scale which surely characterises the efforts of gangsters.

The Attorney-General believes that Chicago is the most acutely affected of any population centre, and into that city have been thrown many Federal agents skilled in combatting organised violation not only of the laws concerning bootlegging but associated with the white slave traffic, narcotics, and immigration irregularities. The Federal Government now stands pledged to war upon the promotion of vice and especially on the comparatively new crime of blackmailing business.

Curiously enough the Federal income-tax regulations penalising failure to report all sources of income, has been more effective than the criminal law aimed directly at the principal offences—probably because of bank co-operation—but direct action is promised now.

"Drys" Co-Operate.

The organised Drys, apparently cocksure of Mr. Hoover's stand, though less certain of his self-sacrificial impulse, are offering the Federal authorities their full co-operation in the whole matter of gang-blackmail suppression, wherever circumstances might make it valuable.

That freeborn business men under the influence of American traditions should abjectly submit to such domination by the banded blackmailers and thugs known collectively as "racketeers," as is revealed in New York, speaks ill for the modern spirit. It is declared to-day that complaints already indicate an actual annual blackmail paid in New York City of £20,000,000.

The same scandal exists in a lesser degree in smaller cities, while conditions surpassing even those of New York plague Chicago. Chicago is the acknowledged centre of "racketeering," which means blackmail under threats of financial loss, and personal injury, with murder as the final rebuke for laggards. Virtually every trade, vocation, and commercial or industrial activity in the Metropolitan region to-day is shadowed by grim threats.

Method of Blackmail.

To give some idea of the seriousness of the extortion, it is stated that racketeers are at present levying a tribute of three halfpence a hundred-weight on all freight from ships or railways at New York docks or railway terminals. Every railway and all steamship companies but one are systematically victimised. Apparently this "racket" is a graft of banded drivers for money paid by employers direct to them. How they later divide with the leaders is a mystery. Refusal means material positively unmoved or possibly destroyed. Of course the criminal surcharge is eventually added to the retail price, and passed on to the consumer.

Labour unions are also mulcted, every member of one (unaffiliated with the American Federation of Labour) being assessed eight shillings weekly, with no pretence of giving value other than immunity from further persecution. Nearly all union musicians must pay four shillings daily or risk injury or loss of their job. Laundrymen are especial victims, many establishments having been dramatically wrecked.

The prosecutor who has exposed these, and many other details, pledges himself to find and drive out the offenders, though New York is absorbed by the miseries of hard times, and is curiously apathetic to all such matters.

Among the New Year festivities will be a dance at the Craygower Cricket Club to-morrow night given by the President of the Club to all members. Mr. B. W. Bradbury, the President, extends an invitation to members to be present.

ARMY V. NAVY CRICKET.

MILITARY BATSMEN DOING BETTER.

There is little in the match between the Army and the Navy, as the result of this morning's play, to indicate which way the honours will go. The Army went to the wicket first day yesterday morning and ran up a total of 180 runs to which the Navy replied with 216. This morning the Army made 116 for four wickets, being 85 runs on with six wickets to fall.

The military players soon wiped off the 31 runs this morning, Durie and Thorp putting up 38 for the first wicket. Both played useful innings and passed the twenty mark before they were dismissed. Haslewood helped Thorp to add 23 runs for the second wicket and with Musson he took the score to 81 before they were separated. Sir Williams was next in and saw the total mount to 116 runs when he was caught and bowled. The interval was then taken, Musson being 29 not out. Scores:

Army.—1st. Innings.
Lieut. R. V. Dewar Durie, c Edwards, b Lyal 22
Lieut. N. A. Thorp, lbw, Jowitt 17
Lieut. J. Haslewood, b Baker 20
Lieut. A. H. Musson, not out 40
Sig. J. Williams, lbw, Lyal 14
Capt. R. G. Lockner, b Baker 7
L/C. P. W. Fry, lbw, Lyal 21
Major P. M. Airey, lbw, Baker 26
Lieut. M. H. F. Waring, b Baker 1
Cpl. W. T. Davies, c Nash, b Glass 7
Pte. R. Salmon, c Edwards, b Lyal 10
Extras 10

Total 186

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Jowitt 12 42 2
Moseley 2 22
Lyal 15 3 55 4
Baker 11 33 3
Glass 3 9 1
Aylmer 3 1 5
Edwards 3 1 5

Army.—2nd. Innings.

O. M. R. W.
Fry 3 4
Com. Squance, b Fry 4
A. B. Nash, b Williams 1
Sub-Lieut. F. W. G. Edwards, c Durie, b Williams 12
Lieut. C. L. Glass, c and b Musson 52
Mid. J. H. Barrett, c and b Durie, b Durie 26
Sub-Lieut. Moseley, c Durie, b Musson 1
Jowitt, not out 62
J. C. Loyal, b Williams 18
Com. E. Aylmer, b Williams 7
A. B. Baker, c Musson, b Williams 12
Extras 6

Total 210

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Fry 14 41 1
Williams 16.3 2 63 5
Thorp 6 2 29
Musson 10 1 39 2
Durie 7 45 2

Army.—3rd. Innings.

O. M. R. W.
Durie, Baker, b Jowitt 23
Thorp, lbw, b Lyal 25
Haslewood, b Lyal, b Glass 24
Musson, not out 29
Williams, c and b Jowitt 13
Extras 2

Total (for 4 wkt.) 116

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Jowitt 8.5 1 35 2
Lyal 9 34
Baker 4 1 13
Glass 6 1 25 1
Edwards 1 7

Army.—4th. Innings.

March 1931 5/33½ down 8½d.
May 1931 5/6 down 8d.
August 1931 5/9 down 8d.
December 1931 6/1½ down 7½d.

London Terminals.

March 1931 1.15 down 4 pts.
May 1931 1.23 down 1 pt.
July 1931 1.30 down 1 pt.
September 1931 1.38 down 2 pts.
December 1931 1.42 down 2 pts.
London, 29/12/30.—Ultimate ratification of scheme seriously prejudiced by latest developments and situation at the moment very obscure. Nevertheless, still hopeful that solution will be found in view of pressing needs. Confidence all markets severely shaken. Do not see any immediate prospects of improvement.

New York Terminals.

March 1931 5/33½ down 8½d.
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August 1931 5/9 down 8d.
December 1931 6/1½ down 7½d.

H.M.S. aircraft-carrier Hermes

has arrived in Singapore on its way to its base at Hongkong. The vessel has been home to refit and recommission. Captain J. D. Campbell, M.V.O., C.B.E., has been relieved in command by Captain E. J. G. Mackinnon, D.S.O., and a change has also been made in the senior R.A.F. officer, Squadron Leader A. W. F. Glenn, M.C., D.F.C., has been appointed.

LIES OF THE BLACKEST.

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Of the 131 cases of perjury in 1928 only 19 came from London, while all told, offenders from what may be described as urban areas numbered only 62. This includes 25 from the County Borough of Tynemouth, which easily secured the record for perjurers in 1928. Lying for Friendship.

What deductions, if any, are to be made from these figures?

To start with, if Mr. Justice McCord is right, the 131 cases of perjury, known to the police cannot possibly be the correct total. Therefore they are not a true guide except to prove that no particular section of the community is better than another as regards this offence, which brings us back to the declaration of the Psalmist that "all men are liars."

Perjury is probably committed out of friendship as much as anything else; the oath, which, after all, is a matter of personal conscience, being regarded as a small thing as compared with the need to do a friend a good turn.

As for perjurers of the Divorce

Court, their number is legion. All

who have read Kipling remember

that maxim of Hatiz:

If there be trouble to Herward,

and a lie of the blackest can

clear,

Lie, while thy lips can move or a

man is alive to hear,

TROOPS FED BY AEROPLANES.

EXPERIMENT ON N. W. FRONTIER.

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL.

Details have just become available in London of how the Royal Air Force supplied all food and provisions for two days to a column of 1,000 men on the march from Dargai to Chitral, on the North-West frontier of India, in September.

This was the first experiment of its kind, and its complete success is regarded as of the highest importance.

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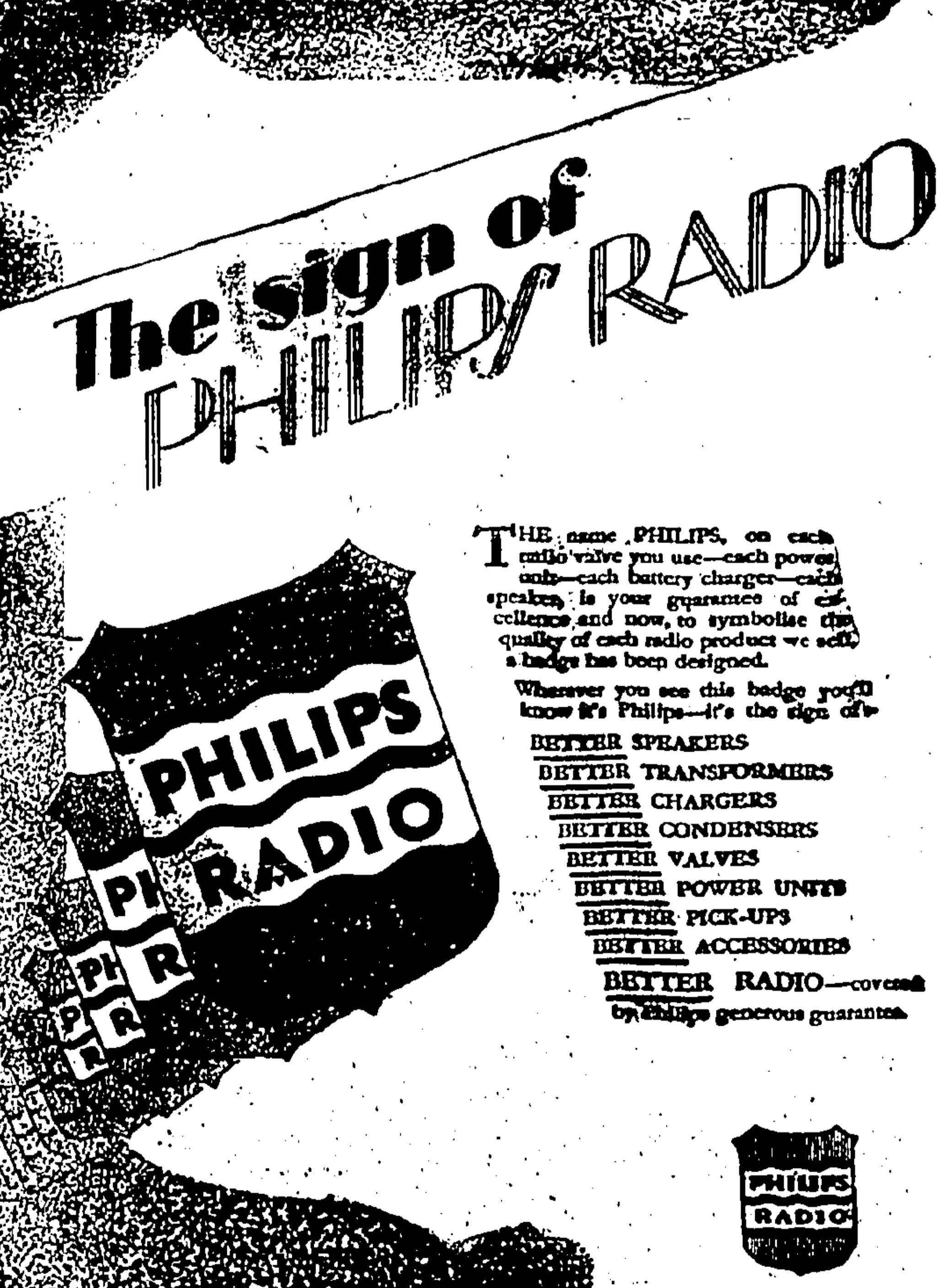
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SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE

TARANTULA BEATS THE CICALA.

Shameen, Dec. 29. An interesting match took place on Saturday between H.M.S. Tarantula and H.M.S. Cicala, the former fielding a somewhat weakened team owing to injuries. The "Tula," winning the toss, chose to defend the western goal with the sun behind them and from the kick-off were invading the Cicala's territory, which they continued to do practically throughout the whole of the first half, except for a few isolated raids by the Cicala's forwards. The half-time whistle came before either account had been opened.

On resuming, the "Tula" were again pressing, when, after a few minutes, from a well-placed pass by Mannerling, Lieutenant Cobb sent in a stinging cross shot which defeated the Cicala's custodian. The Cicala returned to the attack with renewed vigour and carried the game into the "Tula's" half, doing their utmost to obtain the equaliser, but the goalie was in fine form, bringing off several brilliant saves after the backs were completely beaten. For the last fifteen minutes, the play swung from end to end without further result, and the final whistle found the "Tulas" the victors of a well-fought, clean game by one goal to nil.

The "Tulas" goalie and inside right were outstanding, while the "Cicala's" backs and centre-half were the strength of the side.

The following teams were lined up under C.P.O. Clarke:

Tarantula.—G. Bigshaw; G. W. Leeds; F. Perkins; G. Talbot; E. Webb; T. Evans; Lieutenant E. G. Le Geyt; G. Mannerling; V. Allen; Cicala.—H. G. Rudling; C. I. Hicks; A. E. Crawford; A. G. Hanks; D. H. Domoney; W. T. A. Rees; G. Stephens; A. Owens; C. J. Lowings; M. McKissack; F. Pinder.—Our Own Correspondent.

K.F.C. NEW YEAR CARNIVAL

SIR CUMFERENCE DE TONG'S VISIT.

Sir Cumference De Tong pays his annual visit to Kowloon on New Year's Day when he will preside at the carnival organised by the Kowloon Football Club on behalf of local charities.

The programme follows to a large extent, that of last year, which ensures good sport and plenty of amusement.

The piece de resistance will be the fancy dress football match between married and single members of the club, and the former, being handicap men, most of them, are expected to win in accordance with time-honoured tradition.

The Volunteers have challenged Kowloon for the motor-cycle football trophy, and this will be the one serious clash of the day. The match will be played under A.C.U. rules.

The usual raffles will be drawn for, the prizewinner being donated by Messrs. Donnelly and Whyte, Messrs. Caldbeck, MacGregor, Messrs. Gande Price, and Messrs. Lane, Crawford.

The Hongkong office of Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd. will be closed at noon to-day out of respect to the late Lord Melchett.

THE FIRST EVENT OF 1931.

THE KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB'S ANNUAL NEW YEAR'S DAY CARNIVAL.

FANCY DRESS SOCCER MATCH.

MARRIED V. SINGLE.

Usual Handicaps.
Kick-off: 11 a.m.

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USUAL RAFFLES, ETC.

A thoroughly enjoyable way of starting off the New Year, and all proceeds go to various local charities.

BOXING

CITY HALL SATURDAY,

3rd January, 1931, at 9.15 p.m.

MAIN EVENT

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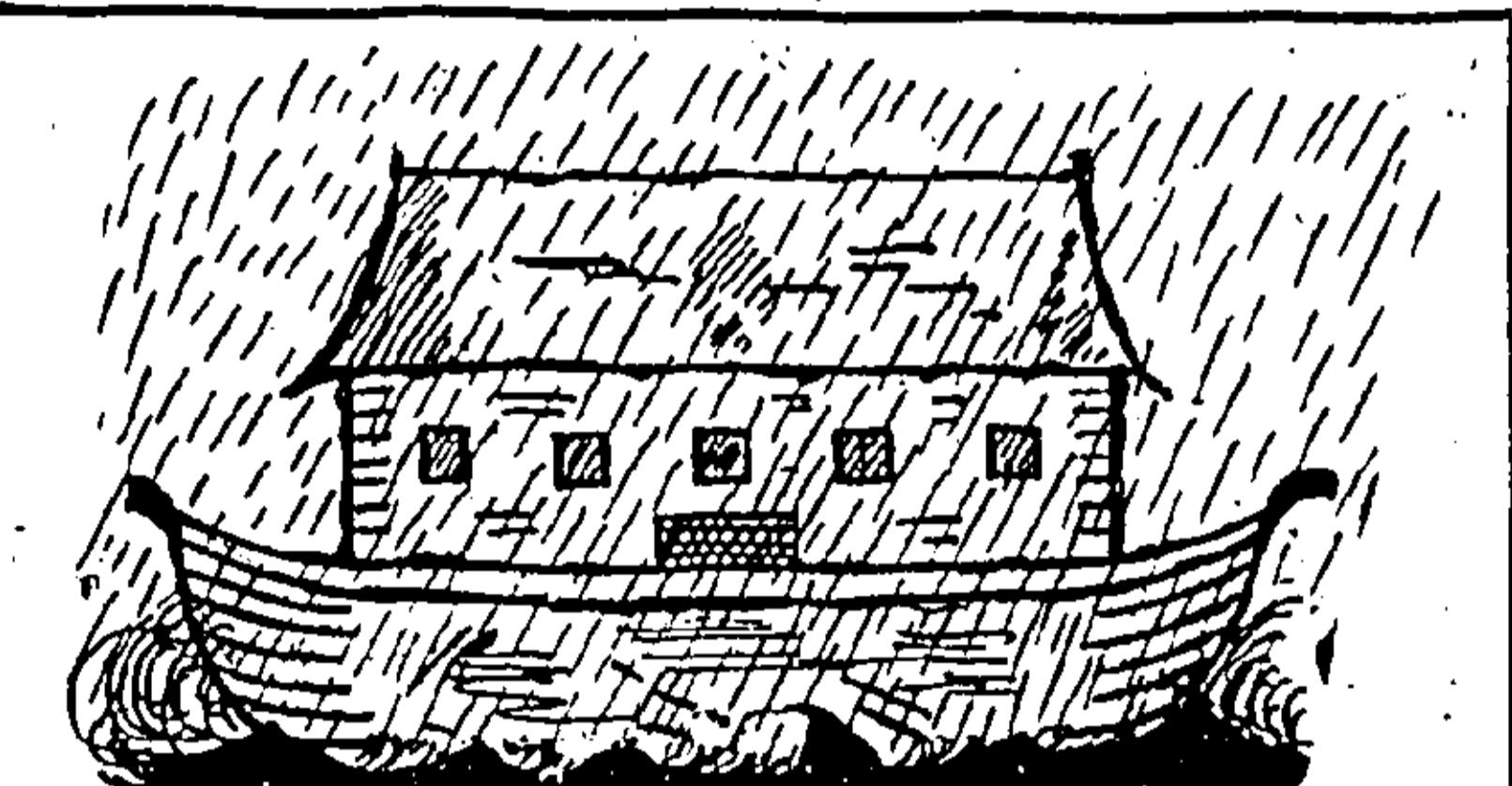
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GET A BOTTLE TO-DAY!



R.A.O.B. CHRISTMAS.

CHILDREN ENTERTAINED ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

On Sunday afternoon the second annual Christmas Tree and children's party was held at the R.A.O.B. Club, a large number of children accompanied by their parents being present. The entertainment was given under the auspices of the Sir James Oxberry Lodge.

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At the close of the entertainment Mr. C. W. Wilson, Chairman of the Christmas Tree Committee, thanked all those who had helped to make the evening a success and the party broke up to the strains of the National Anthem.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

The following will represent the Radio Sports Club in a hockey match with the Hongkong Club 1st XI on 31st December, at 5 p.m., at U.S.R.C. ground:—B. S. Gill, Kartan Singh, J. S. Grewal, A. E. P. Guest, Atma Singh, M. S. Grewal, R. Khan, Gurbachan Singh, Avtar Singh (Captain), Atma Singh and F. A. Kemp.

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Chapter LVI

"You mean have Jordan arrested?"

"I certainly do."

"But, Mr. Mitchell—what good will that do? It's Celia we want to find."

"Jordan knows where she is. I'd swear to it!"

"Maybe. But you know she's not in that building. If you report this to police it's sure to reach the newspapers. A public hue and cry isn't going to help any and I should think it would be highly distasteful. Here's what I have in mind—"

"Just a minute! Just a minute! I don't know who you are or anything about your daughter. What's the idea of breaking into a private apartment in the middle of the night? You'd better get out!"

Mitchell's face was livid. He would have struck at Jordan but the Barney Shields stepped between the two.

"Excuse me," he said. "My name is Shields and this is Mr. Mitchell—Celia Mitchell's father. She didn't come home this evening and left a note saying she was going away to stay. We have information that she left the apartment in your company. Where is she?"

"Why ask me? I don't know anything about it. If anybody says I was with her it's a lie!"

"I warn you, Jordan," John Mitchell choked out the words, "that you'd better tell me where she is! I'll put you behind bars for this!"

"Oh, you will!" Jordan's voice was contemptuous. "Well, let me advise you two to get out of here before I call a cop. I told you I don't know anything about your daughter. Now get out!"

He would have slammed the door but Shields was too quick for him. Barney's right arm caught Jordan by surprise. There was a tussle in which Jordan lost his balance. He pulled back, pushing the door wide open. Another instant and all three were inside.

Jordan cursed loudly. Barney had pinned the other's arm back and was holding him helpless.

"Celia!" Mitchell cried. "Celia, are you here?"

In the subdued light objects in the room were vaguely outlined. It was a large room, illuminated by a single lamp on a table. At the rear were two doors through one of which a light was shining.

There was no one else in the first room. A swift glance and then Mitchell sprang for the inner chamber.

"Let go my arm, you devil!" Jordan snorted.

"Not until you tell us where Celia is!"

"But I don't know! I swear I haven't seen her. Let go, damn you! You're wrenching my shoulder!"

They were struggling back and forth when Mitchell reappeared.

"She's not here," he said, "Jordan, where did you leave her?"

Jordan relaxed his hold. A quick movement and Jordan had freed himself. "I tell you I haven't seen the girl!" he stormed. "Why do you come to me about it if she isn't home? Once and for all, are you going to get out or do I have to throw you out?"

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"Well, yes. But it's in a garage for repairs. I had a smash-up last week."

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"No. Of course not."

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"Then you'd better come here. I want to talk to you."

Barney agreed and departed from the shop. He hailed a cab and rode to Evelyn's apartment. Evelyn herself opened the door in answer to his ring.

"Good morning, Mr. Shields! Oh, what a terrible night this has been—!"

Mrs. Parsons' tone was distressed but for all that her cheeks were tinted as healthily and her morning robe was even more becoming than usual.

Barney followed her into the living room. John Mitchell turned from the window.

"No news of Jordan?" he demanded without prelude. "You didn't see anything at all?"

"Nothing. Any word from Baltimore?"

Mitchell shook his head. "She's not there. I talked with the woman who keeps the flat. She's going to let me know if she hears anything. My God, I don't know what the child could have been thinking of!"

John Mitchell's eyes were bloodshot. It was evident he had spent a sleepless night. Suddenly he launched into bitter denunciation of Tod Jordan.

"If he's blamed for this, he cried, "if he's blamed Celia I'll see he gets the limit!" The man was actually shaking with rage.

"I don't trust Jordan," Shields put in.

For 15 minutes nothing happened. Barney kept his eyes on the doorway across the street. He did not hear anyone approaching. Suddenly something touched him. Barney started. The exclamation died on his lips as he saw the cause. A large black cat was rubbing against his leg. "Mian!" the cat cried plaintively. "Mian!"

The young man grinned. "Hello, cat," he said. "Is this your beat? Hope you don't mind if I stick around a while."

The animal arched its back against him, ingratiatingly. Barney picked it up, rubbing its head for a moment. The building before which he had taken up his stand was entered by a flight of steps. Barney considered these steps. Then he walked to them and seated himself. The cat crawled from his arms and nestled beside him.

It was a long vigil the pair kept. A few vehicles passed, and one or two pedestrians, but no one disturbed the young man. No one entered or left the apartment across the way.

Gradually the sky grew lighter. Night faded, leaving a grey world. Presently faint streaks of opalescent overhead told that the sun had risen.

The black cat awoke, stretched itself and with dignity descended to the street. Without glance backward it trotted out of sight.

Trucks and smaller conveyances appeared. In a short time the early morning din had begun, attesting that the city had awakened and was shaking off slumber.

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"Trust him? The man's a notorious rogue. To think how Celia could even have met such a scoundrel is beyond me. He ought to be in jail!"

Barney Shields looked surprised.

"But how—" he began, "why did you consent to let Celia marry him?"

"Marry Jordan? Are you crazy?"

Barney turned toward Mrs. Parsons. "But you told me she was going to marry Jordan!" he declared.

John Mitchell's eyes blazed.

"You—" he cried, addressing the woman.

"Evelyn—is this true?"

(To be continued.)

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FANLING HUNT.**TWO MEETS DURING XMAS WEEK.**

Christmas Eve.—Hounds met on Wednesday, Christmas Eve, at Fanling Station. The usual keen Wednesday field was out and was rewarded with really excellent run over difficult country.

Hounds were put on the far side of the railway and Capt. Mould (the Huntmaster) made a couple of casts, finally striking the line in some ploughed paddy.

Hounds ran for a short distance and then threw up. A second cast was made and the pack settled down to the line, hounds hunting in a beautiful bunch. One couple of the new hounds were out and much in evidence.

The Secretary took a fall in some sticky paddy, rider and horse changing colour to a rich dun. Hounds ran below the sixth hole of the golf course and then awning left handed up a long series of grass terraces to a narrow dell between the pine trees. The pack then turned right handed, passed through an enclosure of thorn which gave the field a couple of fly jumps and went away fast to Dill's Corner without another check. It was well that the timber was not too heavy, several riders rapped it hard when jumping out.

Of the field of a dozen only half that number were up at Dill's Corner, among them Commander Lambert, and Major Hewson, Capt. Oliver, and Mr. Graham of the Gunnars, all of whom were well mounted. Captain Gore, of the I.M.S., was out from the Lo-Wu camp on a large white pony that went well.

Boxing Day.—Boxing day was a lawn meet at Mrs. Peterson's house "Annabelle," and a field of over fifty attended besides many spectators. Hounds were put on by Capt. Mould (the Acting Master) within a few hundred yards of the meet and close to the road; some of the field were caught near the kennels.

Hounds ran parallel to the road for a short distance, crossed by Potts' bungalow and made a right-handed sweep which brought them on to the road again near Dill's Corner. The line then ran past the Portuguese golf course over some road galloping country of which the field were able to take full advantage. Peterkin especially, and concluded in the low

SERVICES AT TENNIS.**DOCKYARD DEFEATED BY THE ARMY.**

In a friendly tennis match at Soo-kumpoo on Sunday, a team representing the Army defeated H.M. Dockyard by 14 sets to 4, after an enjoyable contest. Scores:—

Capt. de Lindo (R.E.), and S. M. Atkinson (R.E.), beat Hambley and Crabb 0-2, 6-4; beat Pengelly and White, 6-1, 6-2; beat Jackson and Locke, 6-1, 6-1.

Capt. Anderson, R.A.M.C., and S.M. Mitchell, R.A.O.C., beat Hambley and Crabb, 6-1, 6-2; beat Jackson and White, 6-4, 6-3; beat Pengelly and Locke, 6-3, 6-4.

S. M. Paul, R.E., and Q. M. S. Anderson, R.A.O.C., beat Hambley and Crabb, 6-4, 1-6; beat Jackson and White, 6-4, 7-5.

foot hills between Lo-Wu camp and the frontier river below, brought the field to Bridge 47 where the new line started. The wind had risen by now and scent was carried to the hounds at the head of the pack as huntsmen and field were crossing the railway. Hounds went away in two bunches, four couple and the huntsman in the lead.

The field showed great forbearance here in not riding over tail hounds, with what might have been fatal results for the future. The kill was Dibbiggin Hill with the field up. It was not such a difficult run. Wednesday, but the field enjoyed their hunt. The Gap for the kennel men met with a very generous response from all concerned. It was unfortunate that the Master (Capt. Baldwin) could not have been present to see the largest field yet recorded.

The Secretary begs to acknowledge the nom-de-plume "Tally-Ho!" conferred on him by the Editor. Wednady's meet is at the Kennels.

FANLING GOLF.**RESULTS OF THE HOLIDAY TOURNAMENTS.**

The following are the results of the tournaments held by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at Fanling during the holidays:

Felix Ellis Cup (December)—A. W. Hay Eddie (3 down) qualifies. Medal Round (old course, Dec. 24-25).—L. G. S. Dodwell 84-0=78 wins.

Bogey Pool (old course, Dec. 24-25).—P. Andrew (6 down) third, un-named, Capt. G. Walz (13), Capt. Frentley (15) and J. P. Shore (17) two down, divide the second and third prizes. Other scores were D. S. Edward (one up), A. Ritchie (14), Major L. H. Asto (6), T. Low (14), S. J. H. Fox (9), A. E. Lissaman (3), A. H. Ferguson (3) and J. E. Richardson (18), all square. There were 171 entries.

Bogey Pool.—Lieut. Col. E. D. Matthews (one up) wins.

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[Professor Arthur Anthony Macdonell, M.A., Ph.D., was born in 1854, in Scotland, and was educated in Germany and at Oxford. He rapidly became an internationally known scholar, with honours from the principal German, British and Indian seats of learning. His publications on Sanskrit studies have been many, all of them standard textbooks.]

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Song-Jock O'Hazelden.
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MOST PRIMITIVE TYPE OF HUMAN REMAINS.

London, Dec. 29. The Daily Mail gives prominence to the statement of Dr. G. Elliot Smith, made on his return from China, that the fossilised skull of the "Peking Man," recently discovered in a quarry in Choukoutien, near Peking, undoubtedly represents the most primitive type of human being ever discovered.—*Reuter*.

Recently Sir John Bland Sutton, the famous British surgeon created a sensation by declaring that the skull was not that of a prehistoric man but of a gorilla. Since the discovery in an old lime stone bed a few miles from Peking by Dr. Diriger Bohlin, a Swedish palaeontologist, there has been a great deal of discussion on the authenticity of the skull as that of a human being. Dr. Weilert of the Anthropological Institute of Berlin held that the skull was that of a creature neither human nor beast, but of a missing link between the two, and maintained that the discovery bore out the theory set up by Ernst Haekel that the human race was descended from an animal species that was neither man nor monkey—a link in the chain of evolution. The great value of the find is accepted, however, by all but a few amateur scientists and fundamentalists.]

THE MACAO COUNCIL.

RESULTS OF THE ELECTIONS ON SUNDAY.

Macao, Dec. 29. The election took place yesterday (Sunday) of the member to represent the public of Macao on the Macao Government Council, and Dr. Americo Jorge, who received 189 votes was elected. In the event of his absence at any time he will be represented on the Council by Mr. Damiao Rodrigues, who secured 114 votes, and in his absence by Mr. Bernardino Senna Fernandes who received 77 votes.

The elections take place at the Municipal Hall, and considerable interest is taken in the outcome.

The Chinese Association of Merchants will be represented by Mr. Lee Chai-tong who was elected by a big majority, and the substitute member elected was Mr. Loo chuk-suen.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

NAVAL TRAGEDY.

BODY OF LOST H.M.S. KENT SEAMAN RECOVERED.

Bangkok, Dec. 22. The body of the drowned seaman from H.M.S. Kent was recovered yesterday morning and buried this afternoon, a firing party and buglers being provided by the Siamese Navy. The Kent was unable to wait. The Siamese Navy and the British Legion sent magnificent wreaths.

H.M.S. Kent, flagship China Station, with Admiral Sir Arthur Walstall and Lady Walstall aboard, left to-day for Singapore where she is to remain over the Christmas period.

NEED FOR SACRIFICE.

ARCHBISHOP'S CALL TO THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

London, Dec. 29.

The need for sacrifice in the face of one of the most serious ordeals of which the Empire has ever been faced, was emphasised in a sermon last night by the Archbishop of Canterbury.—*British Wireless*.

The Police have already achieved considerable success, and the situation is improving daily.—*British Wireless*.

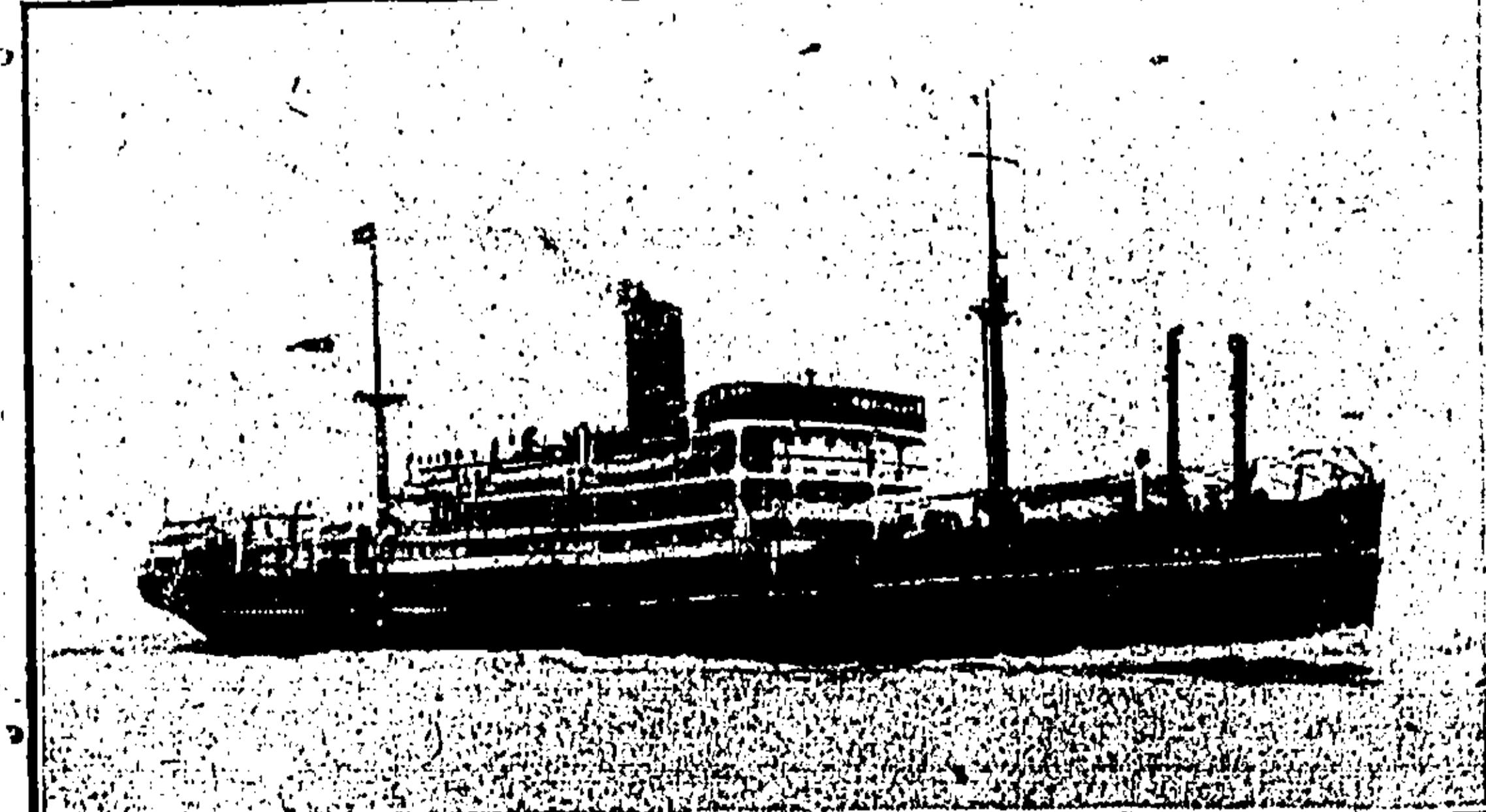
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From EUROPE and STRAITS.

The Steamer,

"KASHIMA MARU"

having arrived from the above ports,

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed

that their Goods are being

landed and placed at their risk in the

Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and

Godown Company's Godowns at

Kowloon, whence delivery may be

obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 6th

January 1931, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left

in the Godowns for examination by

the Consignees' and the Co.'s re-

presentatives on any Tuesdays and

Fridays at 2.30 p.m. within the free

storage Period.

All claims must be presented within

ten days of the steamer's arrival here,

after which date they cannot be

recognised.

No claim will be admitted after

the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,

Hongkong, 28th December, 1930.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The Steamer,

"GENERAL METZINGER"

Arrived Hongkong on Thursday,

the 22nd December, 1930.

From MARSEILLE &c.

Consignees of Cargo by the above

named steamer are hereby informed

that their goods with the exception of

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being landed and placed at their risk

in the Godowns of the Hongkong

Kowloon wharf and godown Co. Ltd.

Kowloon, whence delivery can be

obtained as the goods are landed.—

Goods not cleared within 7 days

including date of arrival, will be

subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the

undersigned before the Thursday,

the 1st January 1931, or they will not

be recognised.

Damaged Packages must be left in

the Godowns for examination by

the Consignees' and the Company's Sur-

vayor Messrs.—Godard and Douglas

at 10.00 a.m. on Monday, the 29th

December, 1930.

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the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance will be effected by

us in any case whatever.

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Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1930.

ANOTHER AMERICAN CO. IN TROUBLE.

AN ALLEGATION OF FALSE RUMOURS MADE.

Philadelphia, Dec. 29.

The Aldine Trust Company, with resources of £1,800,000, closed this morning.

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CLARA BUTT COMING
NEXT MONTH.

STORIES OF HER MOST
FAMOUS SONGS.

Hongkong music-lovers will be delighted to hear that Dame Clara Butt, together with her husband, Mr. Kennerley Rumford, is due in Hongkong some time after January 10th, and that two concerts will be given, probably on the 17th and 18th. These world-famed vocalists have been giving a series of recitals in India and Malaya, where they have received wonderful receptions.

In "Stories of My Songs," Dame Clara Butt says:—Just as the words of "Abide with Me" are amongst the most popular in the hymn book, so Samuel Liddle's setting of those words is my most popular song on the concert platform. More gramophone records of "Abide with Me" are sold than any other song I have recorded, and audiences always clamour for it.

A romantic story lies behind the composition of this song. As a student at college I knew a certain Mr. Samuel Liddle, who was then taking a course in composition. Some years after when I had made good on the concert platform, I heard that he was playing the piano for so much an hour—terrible work for a composer of genius. I offered him a post as my accompanist and found him a sympathetic player. "Miss Butt, I can feel your voice in my fingers," he said one day after we had been practising. I laughed and replied "I shall believe that when you compose a song for me," for I knew he could compose and I was anxious to encourage him to use his gift.

Two days later he brought me "Abide with Me." He certainly had my voice in his fingers when he wrote the song, for it gives me many opportunities. It is wonderfully appealing in its simplicity.

Two days seems a ridiculously short time in which to write a song, but many famous melodies have come to their composers in a flood of inspiration after reading a lyric.

"Dear Heart" was played by the composer on the piano as soon as he had read the words, and Balfe's famous song "Killarney" was composed in the same way. Schubert wrote his lovely setting of Shakespeare's poem "To Sylvia" in restaurant, and having no paper handy, scribbled it on the back of a menu.

"Land of Hope and Glory" is another of my most popular songs. Sir Edward Elgar, the composer, wrote some songs for me thirty years ago, when I was at the beginning of my career. He called them "Sea Pictures" and they are even more popular to-day than they were when I first sang them.

Although my audiences like for "Abide with Me," Sir Arthur Sullivan's "Lost Chord" is my favourite song. Many people think to-day that "The Lost Chord" is old-fashioned, but I think that in its superb simplicity it is monumental for all time. When I am touring the provinces in England, I occasionally get a letter from someone asking me to sing the "Lost Chord." If it is possible I am only too glad to grant the request and leave the hall happy in the thought that I have brought sunshine into at least one life. The original manuscript of "The Lost Chord" is one of my most treasured possessions.

THREE STEAMERS AGROUND.

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inconvenience to inward and outward bound shipping. They escorted the Linia to buoys Nos. 12 and 13, not back to her former position, in view of the possibility that the buoys had been damaged.

Two smaller tugs, the Fuhlee and Rocket, took charge of the Pacific and towed her down to buoys 20 and 21 in the lower section of the river, while the Store Nordiske was taken to the International Dock for a thorough examination and the necessary repairs.

Another tug, the St. Aubin, was also brought into service, and yesterday afternoon the St. Aubin and Saucy lay one on each side of the Linia at her new moorings.

Checking the Damage.

Representatives of the various shipping concerns involved were busy all yesterday afternoon in checking up damage done, and it will probably be some time before the whole affair is straightened out. It seemed that very little damage had been done compared with the possibilities offered.

The str. Linia has Dunkerque as port of registry, and belongs to Messrs. Louis Dreyfus and Co. The ship arrived here on Sunday afternoon with a cargo of wheat from Pirie, Woolroo and Adelaide. It was waiting at its moorings for discharge.

HOUSE-BREAKING
CHARGES.

TWO YOUNG CHINESE APPEAR
IN DOCK.

KOWLOON CASES.

Two Chinese, Chan Ming (21), and Chan Sik-tin (14), appeared before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a number of charges of house-breaking, larceny and receiving.

Both defendants were charged with having broken into the second floor of 293, Lai Chi Kok Rd. and having stolen two rattan baskets containing \$24 in money, four finger rings, a pair of ear-rings and 36 pieces of clothing, the property of Wai Tai, an amah.

The first defendant was also charged with having received a rattan basket containing \$24, four gold finger rings, a pair of ear-rings and 11 pieces of clothing.

The second defendant was further charged with having received a rattan basket containing 24 pieces of clothing, valued at \$21.

Another charge of larceny of a gramophone, valued at \$22, the property of Chan Hoising, photographer, of No. 61, Nam Cheong Street, on November 22, was preferred, with an alternative charge of receiving.

Mr. F. X. D'Admada, jnr., appeared for the defendants and tendered a plea of not guilty.

Mr. Butters fixed the hearing for January 16, and ordered bail of \$1,000 each.

MILITARY CAMP "BOYS" FINED.

ASSAULT ON A RIVAL
EMPLOYEE.

Ku Haun-chung and Kee Shiu-chi, employed as "boys" at the Shamshui Po military camp, were charged before Mr. Butters at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with having assaulted another "boy," Tang Yuen, in Ki Lung Street yesterday.

The first defendant was also charged with having assaulted Ip Ting-sau, a foki, at Shop No. 13, Ki Lung Street, while the second defendant was further charged with having assaulted Lo Hon, another foki, of the same shop.

The story for the prosecution was that the two defendants, who were Shantung men, took over a job which the first complainant, Tang Yuen, was about to get at the military camp. The two defendants, together with three other Shantung men, later met the complainant in the street. An argument ensued and the five men assaulted the complainant, who ran down Ki Lung Street and sought shelter in No. 13. The two fokis of No. 13, who were the other complainants, came out and prevented the five men from entering. The two defendants thereupon assaulted the two fokis. Later, the police arrived and arrested the two defendants, but the other three men escaped.

Mr. Butters convicted the defendants and fined them \$6 on each charge and bound them over for six months in bonds of \$50.

FATAL FIGHT IN MARKET.

MURDER CASE TO OPEN
ON FRIDAY.

The hearing of the charge of murder, brought against a foki of the fruit market in Bonham Strand West, is due to commence before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court on Friday afternoon, the date having been fixed this morning, when Ng Kuei, the alleged assailant in a fatal fight following a quarrel with another foki, was again before the Court.

Mr. T. Murphy (Assistant Director of Criminal Intelligence) appeared for the prosecution and informed His Worship that the Crown was ready to go on with the case at any time. If Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, the Public Prosecutor, were engaged on the day on which the case be fixed, he (Mr. Murphy) would conduct the prosecution.

Mr. Arthur Covey appeared for the defendant and agreed to the hearing being commenced on Friday.

COLDER WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone central over S.E. Mongolia has strengthened further. Strong monsoon will prevail along the S.E. coast of China and over the North China Sea. The local forecast is:—NE winds, strong; generally overcast; some drizzle or mist; cold.

FUNERAL OF REV. W. F.
CROSTHWAIT.

FULL MILITARY HONOURS
ACCRDED.

With full military honours, the remains of the late Rev. W. F. Crosthwait, M.C., M.A., C.F., were interred at Happy Valley this morning. The Services were fully represented in the long cortège, which included 200 ranks from the South Wales Borderers, who also provided the band, drums and firing party, as it left Wellington Barracks.

At the graveside the service was conducted by Rev. C. Scott Little, senior chaplain to the forces, and the Bishop of Victoria, Rt. Rev. C. R. Duppuy, read the prayers.

The pall bearers were:—Major R. H. Campbell, M.C., R.M.; Major N. C. Bennett, O.B.E., M.C., A. and S.H.; Major A. G. Hewson, M.C., R.A.; Major C. T. Baynham, D.S.O., R.A.; Major H. P. Wilson, D.S.O., O.B.E., M.C.; Major W. A. Fitz G. Kerrich, D.S.O., M.C.; Major H. P. Hart, M.C., R.A.M.C.; Major J. W. Malcolm, M.C., R.A.M.C.

Clergymen at the graveside included Dean Swann, Rev. A. J. Mackenzie, Rev. J. J. O'Brien, Rev. J. Foley, Rev. E. G. Powell, and Rev. H. V. Koop. Among the mourners were Mr. G. W. Tufton (private secretary to H.E. the Governor), and Col. W. D. S. Brownrigg, representing the G.O.C.

Among those who sent wreaths were the H.K.V.D.C., G.O.C. and Staff Officers of Headquarters, China Command, All Ranks R.A. Officers, R.E., Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Officers, All Ranks Hongkong Signal Section, All Ranks Somerset Light Infantry, Brother Chaplains, Peak Hotel, Matron and Sisters Military Hospital and the Trinity College Dublin Association.

NO-TAX CAMPAIGN INTENSIFIED.

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Recognition of the need of some material change in the administration of the five settled and administered districts of the Province has been a feature of various reports made from time to time, and during the general debate to-day it was agreed the Province could not permanently be denied some share in the constitutional advance which the rest of India enjoyed.

Even those who demand a great advance, however, admit that the special circumstances make it necessary for the assumption of executive powers to be gradual.

General anxiety to remove any sense of inferiority led to the suggestion that assuming the Province remained a separate unit, the constitution might be so drafted as to permit of this gradual extension of executive powers.

Probable Issues.

Issues that are likely to arise include the question of whether there should be a Legislative Council, and if so, its composition and powers, whether the franchise should be direct or indirect, methods of securing the representation of the minorities, the relations between the Legislature and the Executive and the special powers which should be vested in the Chief Commissioner or the Lieutenant Governor.

The problem of the maintenance of law and order, and the more general question of defence, occupied much of the Sub-Committee's time and more particularly as to how the responsibility for the preservation of law and order, in view of the special circumstances could best be transferred to any new executive that might be set up.

The discussion will be resumed to-morrow when Sir Denys Bray an eminent authority on the subject will attend.—British Wireless.

THIEF RAIDS A MAGAZINE.

STEALS FOUR HUNDRED STICKS OF DYNAMITE.

A large quantity of dynamite is reported to have been stolen from a magazine on the hillside at Argyle Street, where the Man Sang firm of contractors, of 144, Sai Yeung Choi Street, store their dangerous goods for excavation work.

Lo Ming-sai, foreman of the Company, has informed the police that between 7 p.m. on Sunday and 6 a.m. on Monday some person, by means of a duplicate key, entered the magazine and stole 400 sticks of dynamite, 200 detonators and 25 coils of fuse. The value of the property was given as \$10,250.

AMUSEMENTS OF HONGKONG.

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